# THETIMES

## 7m could get rises Britain's of up to £1.20 next week under hreshold pacts

hout seven million workers could get rises of up £1.20 at the end of next week because a jump the retail price index will bring into operation reshold agreements concluded under Phase iree policy.

reshold agreements require employers to pay orkers up to 40p extra a week for each permage point the index rises above its October 73 level. The April index, to be published later lay, may show a three-point rise (giving pay reases of £1.20) or a 23 point rise (giving 80p

#### hree 'trigger' points 1ay go at one time

cipal settlements are notified:

of 6,900,000 workers. Pay Board circles believe the figure may well be higher though the number of workers covered by arrangements it has directly examined is only 4,800,000.

It is also expected that there may be a sudden rush of new threshold arrangements when

uncovered groups of workers read in tomorrow's papers about

the £1.20, or 80p, a week which

others are getting and which they could be getting. There is no need for them to wait until their next pay settlement to make such arrangements; and,

if they da not make the arrange ments before next month's pub

lication of the index for May, they will probably non be allowed by the Pay Board to receive more than one past

Unless Parliament legislates to the contrary, the threshold "clock" will commune to tick

until the retail price index for October is published towards the

k to pay bills and less tax

and deductions, to pay packets.
Official circles ara disturbed

more about the potential impact

Whitehall is using an estimate

Peter Jay oomics Editor

early seven million workers, sibly a lot more, will get sibly a lot more, will ger matic pay rises, probably of in the last Government's set Three pay rises, probably of the first and se Three pay policy.

hreshold arrangements for the pay code require empers to pay up to 40p a week teach employee covered for arrangements. te index rises ahova 6 per index then stood at 185.4 nuary, 1962=100); and by rch it had reached 196.8, just r 6 per cent above the Octo-

rid carry the index to 232; and 9 per cent would by it to 202.086. The April ax is understood to have come

October is published towards the end of November, even if the Pay Board and statutory pay controls are abolished in July, as now expected. No threshold arrangement made under Phase reements would get up to an Three can, however, run beyond the findex hetween March and ril reflects parily the usual rise in local authority and rise in local authority and ril respected in the pay Board and statutory pay controls are abolished in July, as now expected. No threshold arrangement made under Phase reements would get up to an adverse figure.

Three can, however, run beyond the October figure.

It is anyoned goes just how fast the index will rise between April and May. But informed sources would not be surprised if up to a dozen "trigger points" were passed by the time the last payments are due to be paid at the heginning of December (or, ing pressures on industrial ing pressures on industrial the heginning of December (or, s from rising material prices higher pay levels.

the heginning of December (or, for monthly-paid staff, at the end of December). That would

had been foreseen for some add up to £4.80 an employee a is that the first threshold nents would be triggered the April index was pub d; but it bas only just been zed that at least two and ehly three "trigger points"

be passed in one go.
ficial estimates of the numof workers covered by hold egreements are unrelibeceuse such arrangements e made informally herween ny necessity to notify the coard, which may only get

### labour market still buoyant By Melvyn Westlake

Britain's lebour market

Britain's lebour market remains strikingly buoyant, contrary to widely expressed fears that unemployment might rise sharply as a result of the many sbocks to business confidence of the past few months.

According to figures published yesterday by the Department of Employment, the number of registered vacancies on May 13 (when the last count was taken) showed a substantial rise for the second conaecturie month. There was a tipy 1,900 rise in the seasonally adjusted number of unemployed (excluding school-leavers and adult students) to 548,300.

The crude madjusted total

students) to \$48,300.

The crude madjusted total figure for all unemployed in Britain fell by 111,400 to 535,400.

—the lowest May figure since 1969—while in Northern Ireland there was a 7,300 fell in jobless to 26,200.

Although the real test will come this winter, these figures provide no evideoce yet to support the view of some economists that unemployment would be likely to start rising sharply as a result of the £1,200m public expenditure cuts for the finan-cial year 1974-75 announced in December by Mr Barber, the previous Chancellor, and the deflationary measures of Mr Healey, the present Chancellor. In fact, the adjusted unem-ployment totals bave remained

remarkably steady for the past five months, representing 2.4 per-cent: of the workforce. Not since 1970 has the labour market heen so stable.

For the eight months April

to November, 1970, unemploy-menc remained feirly constant at 25 per cent of the workforce. at 25 per cent of the workforce. Although there was a sharp increase in the number of unemployed in January this year, the total bas since inched up only slightly.

Equally encouraging is the rapid rise in the number of registered vacancies notified to employment offices. There we see the registered vacancies to the registered vacancies notified to employment offices.

employment offices. There wes a seasonally adjusted increase of 17:200 this month, taking the total to 314,000. That follows the April jump in vacancies of 23,000. The number of jobs notified is now rising et an average monthly rate of 12,000, or almost as fast as in the late summer and early autumn of last year, when the economy was at full strength.

The level of output and employment appears to be held employment appears to be held up by the recent very large growth in exports. In the past three months the value of exports has risen by 19 per cent compared, with the previous three months. That has doubtless taken up some of the slack apparent in the domestic economy. But the rise in vacancies probably also reflects a recovery from three-day working.

after selling burst

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A new hurst of selling caused heavy losses in London Metal of such increases on industrial costs than they are about the: Exchange prices yesterday and that was the main reason wby the Reutees Commodity Index dropped a further 12.2 to feedback effects on prices, at least between now and the end of the year. That might affect 1.308.1, its lowest level this year.
Copper was £50 cheaper et £1,047.50 a tonne; 11 trading the competitiveness of British exports and so weaken the present export boom on which days ago it was being hought for more than £1,300. rest the Government's best hopes Continued on page 17, col 1 Business News, page 17

### Mrs Marcia Williams included in list of 15 life peers By David Wood Political Editor Mrs Marcia Williams, personal

and political secretary to the Prime Minister, is included in a list of three baronesses and 12 life barons announced early this morning. Politically, it will be regarded as Mr Wilson's conclusive reply in the publicity that arose recently over the con-nexion of Mrs Williams and her family with land reclamation. Mrs Williams, who is 41, became secretary to Mr Wilson

in 1956, at a rima when nohody could foresee that be would become leader of the Labour Party and its longest-serving Prime Minister. The daughter of a Northamptonshire builder, a history greduate of Londoo University, she had worked at Transport House, and there is no doubt that everybody who met ber noted ber extraordinary political flair. In 1964, when Mr Wilson

formed his first Administration, she beceme political secretary to the Prime Minister with an office in 10 Downing Street, and she has told in her autobiography of the campaign she waged against the "garden waged against the "garden girls" (the Civil Service secretaries and typists).

BARUNESSES
Fisher, Mrs Doris Mary, MP for
Birmingham, Ladywood, 1970-74.
Stedman, Mrs Phyllis, member,
Cambridgeshire Cootty Council,
Williams, Mrs Marcia, personal
and pollitical secretary to Mr
Harold Wilson.

BARONS BARONS
Castle, Edward Cyrfl, journalist, former alderman, Greater Loodon Couocil; alderman, Islingtoo Borough Couocil; alderman, Islingtoo Borough, George, MP for Sheffield, Billsborough, 1950-74; Minister of State, Board of Trade, 1964-68.
Davies, (Gwilym) Elfed, MP for Rhondda, East, 1959-74; member Glamorgan County Council, 1954-61.

She also clashed with Mr Derek Mitchell, then Mr Wilson's principal privete secre-tary, partly over her right of access to Mr Wilson. Alr Mitchell was shuoted to the Department of Eronomic Affairs; and has now returned to

Lord Wigg is among the Labour, politiciens who here not-concealed their criticism of the personal power Mrs Williams appeared to exercise at the summit of the Government end the Labour Party. Her influence was pervasive, and here and

Grant-Ferris, Sir Robert, MP for St Pancras, North, 1937-45; Nant-wich, 1935-74; Chairman of Ways and Means and Deputy Speal House of Commons, 1970-74.

Fisher, Sir Samuel, president, Board of Deputies of British Jeus; alderman London borough of Camdeo. Boughton, Douglas, MP for Sowerby, 1949-74; Chancellor of Dochy of Lancaster, 1964-66; chairman, Parliamentary Labour Parly, 1967-74.

Kissin, Harry, executive chairman, Guinness Pear Group. Lee, Frederick, MP for Manchester, Hulme, 1945-50; Newtoo, 1950-

there it came to be felt that even important Labour politiciana would be wise to approach the Prime Minister with the belp of ber good offices.

After Lebour lost the 1970 election. Mrs Williams's brother, Mr Anthany Field, became Mr Wilson's office maneger; and the Labour leader and his lieutenant, on a hasis of personal friendship and femily ties, became golf partners. When personance to report newspapers began to report earlier this year details of Mr Field's connexion with land

Pannell, Charles, MP for Leeds, West, 1949-74; Minister of Pub-lic Building and Works, 1964-66. Gordon Walker, Patrick, MP for Smethwick, 1945-64; Leyton, 1966-74; Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations 1950-51; Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, 1964-65; Minister without Portfolio, 1967; Secretary of State for Education and Science, 1967-68.

Wallace, George, chairman, East Kilbride Development Corpora-tion; director, Smith and Nephew Associated Companies.

cated Mrs Williams and made clear that she would continue in her post as a member of his

It was made clear this morning that Mrs Williams, as a baroness, will remain personal and poli-tical secretary to Mr Wilson, but along with all but one of the other peers in the list will be expected to play a full part on the Labour benches in the House

Today's is the third list of life peerages recommended by Mr Wilson since he returned to 10 the Labour beoches in the House of Lords.

Of the 15 new baronesses and barons only one, Sir Robert Grant-Ferris is not Labour committed. He retired at the last election from the Commons as chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, or Deputy Speaker, and there are several recent precedents for bolders of that office being elevated to the Lords. Eight of the others are retired Labour ministers or

Many political friends and foes of Mrs Castle will particu-larly welcome the life peerage for her husband. A prominent Fleet Street journalist and for-mer London alderman, Ten Castle has shared in Mrs Castle's remarkable career with out sharing the limelight, and colleegues to see him beginning a Westminster career at last.
Mrs Castle, Secretary of State

for Social Services, said this morning that sha was delighted at her busband's bonour. at her busband's bonour. Characteristically, she added that she inteods to keep her com-



Mrs Marcia Williams



the Treasury.









#### Act firmly, Dublin leader tells Britain

From Stewart Tendler

The Government of the Irish Republic yesterday called on Britain to stop prevaricating and take firm ection to break the "loyalist" strike. It is understood that Mr Cosgrave, the Prime Minister, told Sir Arthur Galsworthy, the British Ambassidor in Dublin, that the propessions. should man the power stations. Britain is accused of talking rather than acting and one Irish minister seld yesterday: "They are being kidglove with people trying to take over the country. The British most act firmly." It is felt the action must be taken whatever the cost.

there was hope that the trade union marches in Ulster or a lack of resolve among lovalists would restore normality. Tha crisis has intensified, however, and the Irish Government's concern has mounted correspond ingly. Its patience with British-tactics appears to be disappear-ing. The Dublin Government attaches considerable import-ance to the power-sharing Exe-cutive, as Mr Cosgrave made clear on Wednesday

### Essential services near Jail urged if council to collapse in Ulster

The "loyalist" general strike province perilously close yester-day to the total collapse of its daily life when Londonderry lost daily life when Londonderry lost its ges supply, the electricity service apnounced that the power system would probebly break down by the weekend, and fuel erew so scarce that motor-ists queued for five hours to huy culy a gallon of petrol.

Trade unionists, husinessmen and Northern Ireland Assembly men urged the British Govero-ment to talk to the leeders of the strike hut Mr Gerard Fitt, Deputy Leader of the Executive. said, without apparently any hesitation, that British troops should be sent immediately into the power stations and oil-supply

stick to its determination not to treat with the strikers, who are demanding fresh elections, then it will almost certainly have to send in the troops within the next three days. If Belfast loses its power supplies water will stop runniog, food will hecome unohtainable, communications will break down and the sewer-age system will flood. About 250 specialist army technicians are now in Ulster

ready to enter the power stetions and private talks bave already been beld between army officers and senior managemen staff at the electricity plants. Such is the seriousoess of the crisis now facing Northern

Ireland that the publication yes terday of the joint law commis-sioo's report on the best way of countering cross-border terror-ism raised scarcely a comment either inside or nutside the Assembly. The Executive cauti-ously accepted its contents, the report suggests a system of extreterritoriel courts to try sus-pected terrorists on either side concerned with its own survival. The Northern Ireland executive was so near collapse on Wednesday afternoon that

he power stations and oil-supply
epors.

British officials actually telephoned both the Irish Government and the British Army headquarters at Lisburn to warn them that Ulster might return to a state of direct rule within an bour. Such dire predictions were, of course, averted by the agreement to postpone the powers of the Council of Ireland, hut the strains still within the administration were only too ident yesterday. While one minister was niging

the Government to talk to the Continued on page 2, col 4 the royal commission, be said.

# Patrick Gordon Walker

members hide links

A oational code of conduct for local councillors, a compulsory register of their pecuniary interests, and tougher penalties, including imprison-ment, for failure to disclose such interests are among the recom-mendations in the report of the committee on local government

By Christopher Warman

Local Government

The present maximum penalty for failing to disclose pecuniary interests is a fine of £200, and the committee, under the chair-manship of Lord Redcliffe-Maud, wants it lucreased to a maximum of two years' imprisonment and an uolimited fice. Its report comes out shortly after Mr Wilson announced the

setting up of a royal commission on standards of conduct in public life. Mr Wilson told the Commoos yesterday that the committee's

findings and recommendations would now need to he the subjert of consultation with local authority associetions, staff associations and other interested

The findings would cleerly have a hearing on the work of

consultation with those can cerned, whether there are recommendations in the Redcliffe-Maud committee's report whith can and should be implemented et once, without waiting for the royal commission's report."

Lord Redcliffs Maud said at

a press conference that he boped the code of conduct would find epproval with the Govern ment and local authority asso-ciations, in which case it could be implemented at once without egislation.

He said he also helieved that Parliament should consider Bills quickly to establish the statutory register of interests, and to strengthen the sauction against those who hrake the law. The rote in the Commons to establish a register of interests was a good omeo for speed? implementation of the cor mirtee's recommendations for local councillors.

The Association of Metropoliran Authorities welcomed the proposals for a statutory register of interests and for a code of cooduct, but disagreed with the committee's decision to seek a communetion of the ben on council employees becoming members of their councils.

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#### immerland commission says there ere 'no villains' in fire disaster

es, Isle of Man loog-ewaited report of the ission of inquiry into the erland fire disaster, which 50 people in Douglas last t, wes released for publi-at midnight last night.

main conclusions are that were "no villains" but were "no villains" but is ingredients of the dis-were a combination of faults and buman errors ilures, most of which he-videot in the investigation be disaster but might not been apparent before it.

inquiry commission was i by Mr Justice Cantley. words of a senior civil t in Douglas, the commisnembers are "gentle in riticisms and generous in

recommendations, one of ost important of which is all young architects in it should be given moral instruction in fireition and precautions, are to bave fundamental opon the architectural sion, the huilding industry, cal authorities.

A number of individuals are the guidence of general mana-named in the report. Among gers to assist them in safeguard-hem is Mr Cyril Pearson, the ing the public and property hief fire officer in the Irle of under their control. named in the report. Among them is Mr Cyril Pearson, the chief fire officer in the Irle of

Man. The report says about him: "The chief fire staff officer received the plans for the submission to the local-authorities in 1967. He should have considered the problems of fire-fighting at that time in order to improve the conditions which he agreed in the event were very On the way that Mir Pearson

On the way that Mr Pearson applied existing regulations, based on by-laws applying to theatres, the report says: "He was placed in a very difficult position. By hindsight he wished he had insisted on considerable modifications but being fully involved with other responsibilities and with limited time devoted to fire protection matters be made no represenmatters be made no represen-

Mr Pearson said yesterday that it would ha "lunatic" for him in comment until he had been given adequate time to arudy the whole report.

A starement by Trust Houses
Forte Lid last night said that the
company had issued what the
commission had described as an

. The statement want on to say that regrettably thera had been human failure in a application of the company's system of fire and emergency procedures and the report had confirmed that in matters of decign construction matters of design, construction and materials there were serious failings.
Publication of the report will

now open the way for long and complicated litigation and insurance procedures. It has been estimated that a sum approachestimated that a sum approaching £5m is involved in compensation in relatives of tha dead and in the injured and in the cost of building another Summerland complex.

Oroglas chief pleased: Mr Allan Watson, marketing director of Rohm and Hass (UK) Ltd, British distributors of Oroglas, said he was pleased with the report (the Press Association reports). He had maintained throughout: the investigation that Oroglas, a plastic material used for the roof and part of the walls of Summerland, had not walls of Summerland, had not played a primary role in devel-opment and spread of the fire.

#### Mr Paisley and Mr Rees in fierce duel of words

Parliamentary Correspondent : Westminster

Westminster
All the hitterness that is
Northern Ireland welled up in
the Commons yesterday as Mr
Merlyn Rees, Secretary of State,
accused certain Ulster MPs at
Westminster of ettempting to
set up e provisional government
and of issuing their own ration
books. It made him sick he books. It made him sick he said, that they should continue to come to Westminster and to draw their pay. .

Mr Inn Paisley thundered at this "vile slander". He de-manded to know the MPs names, declaring that no ration books bad been issued in the name of any MP and none of them bad suggested a provisional government. Mr Paisley later advocated a United Kingdom referendum on

Whether people wanted Nor bern breland to remain part of the United Kingdom. If Ulster was to go its own way, be said, it would go reinstantly, but it would never go into a united ireland republic. Mr Rees, usually mild-man-nered, thundered back at Mr-Paisley that it was no good being a democrat at Westminster and

a demagogue in Northern Ire-land; he and his friends were trying to briog down the elected Government, Permit cards were being issued by his associetes. · Mr Rees told MPs: "My responsibility is to this House and not to the sort of people Mr. Paisley, is associating with, backed by paramilitary groups who have erms." Mr. Peisley was making a mockery of the Christianity that he (Mr. Roes) had learnt.

bad learnt. Later, Mr Paisley said that it Mr Rees knew of any MPs be-hind a provisional government be should have them arrested. He rejected be vile insinua-tions that the strika leaders were fascist buily boys.

Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary confirming that on medical advice no efforts were now heing made to force-feed the Price sisters, said there could be no question in present circum-stances of transferring them from Brixton to Northern Ire-land. He would keep the metter under review and when, in a few months, a decision on a transfer would have to be taken, it would on grounds of compassion and security.

#### Anti-Giscard bombers damage Sacre Coeur

Paris, May 23.—Sacre Coeur church in Moutmartre was damaged todey by a homb blast ther ripped off one of the turrets around the while dome of the famous Paris landmark. It was apparently a political act, intended as e warning to M Giscard d'Estaing. France's

Day.
Windows were Flown out in Teachers' pay inquiry, page 2 buildings and parked cers were Parliamentary report, page 10 damaged by falling mesonry.

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#### nce of Wales iddress the 'ds on leisure

haff Reporter Printe of Wales will make iden speech in the House ds on June 13, during the on the report of the committee of the House of on sport and leisure. te is a prudent and strictly ed convection that memf the Royal Family speak on sobjects that are not political and are non-confrom the cross-benches, latest precedent for the of Wales's speech was in ary, 1884, when his greating randfather, later Edward toke ou housing in London are Charles took his seat Lords in February, 1970,

#### Inquiry on nurses' pay to start next week

excellent document compiled for

By Our Parliamentary Correspondent

An independent inquiry into the pay and conditions of work of nurses and midwives is to be set up immediately under the chairmanship of Lord Halsbury, chairman of the Doctors' and Dentists' Review Body. Announcing that in the Commons last night, Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, said the incuiry would be unfettered.
It would report speedily and would hegin work immediately after the Whitsun holiday.

ate and acute financial difficulties of nurses by making advances this mooth on the addi-May resulting from new rates nurses' pay, said later that already negoriated nurses would be disappointed at

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already negotiated. They had been unpaid be-cause of the complexity of the Phase Three award, she said, and hecause the introduction of the NHS reorganization on April 1 had placed the authorires under immense strain.

Mrs Castle told the House that the Government's inten-tion was that the results of the inquiry should be applied to those professions supplementary to medicina whose pay had been traditionally linked with that of the nurses. They included physiotherapists, radiographers, and dieticians, chiropodists occupational therapists.

William Griffiths, secretary of the staff side of the Whitley

not geiting an immediate cash offer, pending the inquiry's findings (a Staff Reporter writes). But be thought the fact that the eventual offer would be backdated to yesterday would help to satisfy their demands. Teachers' pay: An extremely important announcement about teachers' salaries will be made today by Mr Prentice, Secretary of State for Education and Science, MPs were told last night by Mr Short, Leader of the House (our Parliamentery Staff

writes). Teachers' pay inquiry, page 2

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new President. A note from a group claiming responsibility recalled the anti-Government uprising by the Peris Commune in 1871. It said: "Giscard's ascension is off to a had start. Remember the Communards ". Today was Ascension

Ulster: Heath support for

### 17% wage settlement gives foretaste of voluntary pay policy

By Raymond Perman Labour Staff

A pay agreement that pro-vides for increases in basic rates nf 17 per cent and other big improvements in shift and overtime allowacces yesterday gave noe of the first indications of what employers and unions will expect from a voluntary pay

The draft settlement, covering 56,000 mannel workers in Imperial Chemical Industries, was eached after talks that want on into the early bours of vesterday morning it is in two parts: one within the Phase Three pay limits and payable from June 10, and the rest payable as soon as the statutory pay policy ends. A document signed by ICI and the nnioos is to be sent to union officials and management. It says: "Toe unions and the company have considered they should reach an agreement of the kind appropriate to the voluntary approach to incomes policy envisaged in the immediate future, rather than one apecific to the various headings under current Phase Three legis-10, and the rest payable as soon under current Phase Three legis-

Tha full agreement would give increases of 17 per cent on salary scales, the working conditions payment scale and call-out payments and 20 per cent improvements in shift allowances and day rota allowances. ances and day-rota allowances. The payments to be made from June 10 follow the Phase Three guidelines and give rises of 7 per cent or £2.25 a week. A threshold agreement, which is likely to give extra rises of 80p or £1.20 a week from the start of the naw pay scales, is included.

tor for the General and Municipal Workers' Union, estimated thet the full settlement would increasa average earnings for a 40-hour week by between £5 end f6.60, making about £39.50 for a worker on the middle ealary

"I hope this egreement will encourage other employers to look heyond Phase Three. There is nothing to stop them doing so and it would help future industrial reletions", he said.

The agreement would have to

be considered in detail by indi-vidual unions before being rati-fied.

Nalgo claim: Local councils are likely to be told today that unless they egree to begin negotiating on a pay claim for rises of between 20 and 26 per cent they face the threat of industrial action by white-collar staff throughout the country. The local government and

national executive committees of the National and Local Government Officers' Association (Nalgo) are holding emer-gency meetings to consider their response to the employers refusal to begin talks.

The union bas been drawing p a list of "target areas" up a list of "target areas" where industrial action would be effective. Strike action would require a ballot of members, but plans bave also been made to use overtime bans and working to rule.

The executive is likely endorse a proposal today to warn the employers that indus-trial action will begin if talks du

#### Police from outside area aiding northern inquiry

5 Messages

await your answer

Eech day brings tragic letters from voluntary workers who devote their lives to helping old people in need, but are held back by lack of essentials. Here are extracts from 5 typical messages. How would you wish us to answer them?

From N. England: Mrs H. 71, is obliged to share communal tollet 20 yards from back door. She is crippled with rheumatism and has a hiadder complaint. Desperately needs re-housing.

Renya: Mrs G, a widow, is homeless. Her food consists of vegetables thrown away in the market. She needs clothes, shelter and food.

From Empalore: "Our old people never complain. They realise that many are starving." Yet they only have enough rice for two meals a week.

From Brazil: Relief tesms rescuing flood victims still need essential supplies to save lives.

From S. England: She has to climb 50 steps up to her rooms.

major operation has made this impossibly difficult, so she is ousebound.

If you want us to help another needy needy person in your name, please send your goodwill gift now. If you would like it used for a particular corpose, please let us know.

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Hon. Treasurer Rt. Hon. Lord Maybray-King,

flelp the Aged, Room T5,

8 Denman Street,

London WIA 2AP.

From Christopher Walker Newcastle upon Tyne The scope of the inquiry by detectives in the North-east widened yesterday when a senior officer from an outside force was drafted in to investigate allegations made this week about two members of Durham county police.

Documents, first disclosed in The Times and now in the hands of the police, show that in 1972 the two officers were allegedly supplied with new bungalows each costing nearly £4,000 less than an identical hangalow on the same plot sold

Part of the inquiry is being conducted jointly hy the Durham county police and tha Northumbria force, and centres and Blyth. Papers referring to tha casa ara expected to he handed to the Director of Public Pro

John Poulson, Mr T. Dan Smith and Mr Andrew Cunningham. Its terms of reference have increased gradually and now include several major building projects in the two counties. The disclosures concerning

the sale of the bungalows are the first to contain direct allegatings against the police. They are supported by ducuments banded to the police this week by Mr Edward Milne, the Independent MP for Blyth

The two policemen named in the documents and involved in the allegatinos are Chief In-spector Robert Young and Chief Inspector Albert Baines, who live respectively at 35 and 39 Newcastle Road, Chester-le-Street. They have not been suspended from their duties. The documents on which the

inquiry is centred include a letter from solicitors acting for the original owner of It questioned the wide differential in the prices of the three The inquiry first hegan as an tial in the prices of the three offshoot of investigations into identical, detached hungalows.

#### Mr Heath wings the June poll kite

Now that he has made himself hostage to fortuoe by letting slip the chance of a June election to increase his majority, Mr Wilson has had to find a way to keep Mr Heath and the Conservatives under curh. His ruse is to have it put about that he is keeping his options open for a date in July or August. In the Commons yesterday

Mr Short, Leader of the House, confirmed a report in the Daily Mirror thet the Prime Minister had asked officials to look at the question of holding a gen-eral election on variable dates in the United Kingdom to avoid "wakes weeks", and to

study precedents. Nobody at Westminster takes the hint seriously. Mr Heath said yesterday that it would be necessary to pass lagislation through both Houses before variable election dates could be introduced, and that no such Bill would carry. He also objected that such a scheme would allow one area of the United Kingdom to be in-

fluenced by voting elsewhere. Erskine May's Parliamen-tary Practice, basing itself on the Representation of tha People Act, firmly declares that "at a general election all polls must be held on one day, namely tha ninth day after the last day for delivery of nomina-

Mr Wilson flew tha kite on the day Mr Heath was to leave for e visit to Peking, and probably it was meant to unnerve him. But Westminster has always calculated that Mr Wilson had in choose June 13 for a general election to avoid wakes weeks and the loss of Lahour votes, or hold his hand until the autumn. In fact, Parliament disperses today for the Whitson recess until June 10, and a June election is impossi-

Since that is obvious, Mr Heath and the Opposition know that if they wished they could open up a far broader attack government Bills passing through committee stage or report stage; and Mr Wilson, equally obviously, has an interest in trying to threaten that they might suffer for it at a snap

Like Mr Heath, the Liberals reacted to Mr Wilson's "leak". They put ont a statement press ing that holidaymakers should not he disfranchised, and demanding that postal voting should he allowed on request. Otherwise, the Liberals said, the staggering of polling days in Labour strongholds would be an intolerable form of gerrymandering.

The Liberals also dismissed held in July, 1945, immediately after the last war. Polling took place on different days, but all results were declared no the same day to obviete any "band-wagon " effect. "The unique problem then was the collection and transmission in this country by air of the postal ballot papers of members of the Forces serving overseas", the party said.

#### Feed price cuts to be passed on

A group of leading animal feed manufacturers said yester-day that any further falls in raw material prices would be passed

on in prices. In talks with Mr Peart, Mini-ster of Agriculture, who asked them to pass on recent reduc-tions in cereal prices the manu-Regiment, and Charles Kempton, aged 26, of The Royal Irish Rangers, both for 12 months. facturers said they had cut prices recently.

## Strikers steadily gaining control in Belfast

Belfast Shortly after breakfast time yesterday a Fina petrol tanker fast, carrying what has now who wanted fuel, asking some hecome one of the most pre-cious commodities in Northern cards issued by the workers'

It was not the fuel on board that made the journey so significant, however, but the fact that it was being officially escorted by a carload of mem-bers of the Protestant Ulster Volunteer Force, one of the four private armies who are beloing to run the Ulster Workers Council general strike.

The lorry reached its destination safely, as well it might,
because the garage in Oldbark

Continued from page 1. Ulster Workers' Council, Mr

Fitt was delivering a blistering attack on it. He referred to the

men behind the strike es "gang-sters, bully boys and fascists", and said that the British Gov-

ernment now realized that the

whola community, both Catho-

lics and Protestants, was being held to ransom. "The British

Army will have to take over

control of the power stations and the perrol depots ", ha said.

Clearly that is still only a last resort for Mr Rees, Secretary of Stata for Northern Ireland, but

even if the Army does enter the power stations, there might be insuperable difficulties. While

the ordinary electricity workers

whether soldiers can operate the

can be replaced, it is doubtful

machinery now run by tha

management staff at the five

plants. The last time the Army operated emergency services, in Glasgow during the fire brigade

strike, senior civilian officials stayed et work but whether thet

would happen in the electricity

service in Northern Ireland in

the face of possible intimidation remains to be seen.

to Mr Hugo Patterson, the electricity service information

officer, are facing an imminent

total blackout because of a short-

age of hydrogen gas, propane gas and caustic and sulphuric acid.

The Fritish Crygen Company in

Soldiers ran hot

of naked woman

An loquiry into discipline at the School of Infantry, Warmin-

ster, Wiltshire, was called for by Mr Justice Cusack at Bristol

by Mr Justice Cusack at Strain, Crown Court yesterday. He had been told that four soldiers ran a hot iron over the naked body of a married woman who had some to the sleeping quarters

with one of them.

If that was not enough, Mr.

David Elfer, for the prosecution

said, they used scrubing brushes on her, hosed her down with hot and cold water and

made indecent use of a broom.
The judge said: "Clearly
some inquiry is called for. I hope
it will be directed not only to
the discipline among the soldiers
bur to the efficiency of those

responsible for supervising them." The episodes were wiselly disgraceful

within disgraceful.

The four soldiers, all privates, pleaded guilty to causing grievous bodily harm and indecently assaulting. Mrs. Margaret. Battlett, aged 42, of Pound Street, Warminster.

Warminster,

Derek Winstanley, aged 26, of
The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers,

was jailed for 18 months; William Gunn, aged 21, nf The King's Own Highlanders, for two years; and John Himlin, aged 25, of The King's Own Border

iron over body

The power stations, according

government stand

UWC as one of four main petrol distribution points in Bellast. Squads of UDA men made its way slowly up Oldpark assembled outside the petrol Roed from the centre of Bel-station to question motorists

> council The Army may be keeping the streets open in Belfast but control of both amenities and business life seems to be passing ateedily into the hands of the strikers. There are no signs of the ration books Mr Rees, the Secretary of State, menday, but businessmen are now openly trying to negotiate with the UWC. Instead of asking the British

Belfast said last night ther the hydrogen could probably be made available hur that alone

could not avert a shutdown. The electricity system, Mr Patterson said, was dying for want of

supplies.

Petrol supplies have dwindled

to negligible proportions and the bnodreds of motorists who have

queued up outside garages have

heen questioned by UDA men

demanding to know their busi-ness and their names, before

being allowed to receive their gallon of fuel.

The crippling shortage of oil is now threatening the railways.

the only transport system still

operating in any measure in Northern Ireland. Only trains

nn the Belfest-Duhlin line are running and suburban services to the horder may have to be

The 60,000 people of London-

derry had good reason to be con-cerned because the gas supply

there was cut off this morning

Mr Rees's determination received the support of Mr Heath when the Tory leader spoke today on the BBC's The

World at One programme before his departure for China. The

Tories, he said, would support the Government in the measures

it needed to take in Ulster .It was

a political strike carried out in

an attempt to force not unly the

Assembly and Executive but also the Parliament at Westminster to

capitulate, he said. . .

By Tim Devlin

Education Correspondent

The Government is expected

to set up an independent inquiry into teachers' pay and

the structure of the teaching profession. Mr Prentice, Secre-

tary of State for Education and

Scieoce, has called for a meeting of both sides of the Burn-

ham committee, which negoti-ates teachers salaries, before 10 am today and his department

is likely to announce the setting-up of the inquiry afterwards.

undertake the inquiry but it is unlikely that the Burnham com-

mittee will he asked to do sn.

ority sreas, along the lines of e government handout of £10.8m for pay rises to teachers in

More than 50 teachers scut-

More than 50 teachers scur-fled with police officers when they tried to enter Hamilton House, headquarters of the National Union of Teachers, in London yasterday. About 20 teachers got through a side door and the union later allowed about 200 teachers who had bean

ehout 300 teachers who had bean protasting ontside to hold a

The incident came at the end if a day of unofficial strike

It is not known who will

cancelled.

had been designated by the authorities for help, the busi- anced against that of the Army.

UWC as one of four main nessmen are travelling to the The barricades are down but strikers headquarters in east only after prolonged discussellast. Squads of UDA men Belfast as supplicants, and at slous with the Army. assembled outside the petrol least non man representing an In the Shankill area there is station to question materists important British company in a curious relationship between who wanted fuel, asking some Northern Ireland is among the soldiers and the local loyal-

> four main Orange halls in the Shankill area of west Belfast, must of it profit from the drinking clubs in the Shankill

There are advice centres at

and some UDA commanders are boasting six weeks, supply of

In brief

Anne.

Awards soon fo

kidnap heroes

The Home Office is likely decide within two or three wi

on what medals should

awarded to the people tackled Ian Ball, the gun who tried to kidnap Prin

The Queen has made

that she does not want extionally important honours t

bestowed just because the less was involved. The supraward for gallantry, which

extremely rare, is the Ge

4-year cut in sentence

Thomas Gray Stephen, 36, one of the men concern tha £1,577,844 runnelling ra

Lloyds Bank in Baker London, three years ago, he 12-year jail sentence reduc-eight years by the Cour

Appeal yesterday. Mr Stera motor trader, of Sutton

cent, Barnet, Hertfordshire sentenced with three other at the Central Criminal on January 26 last yea robbery.

Petition against min

Mrs Shirley Williams 43, Secretary of State for

and Consumer Protection, defending a divorce pene-her hashand, Professor Re Williams, aged 44, which as in the list of future cases

London Divorce Court yesterday. They separat

English for doctors

Tests to ensure that i doctors coming to Brita competent and can spes write good English will pr

be introduced by January the General Medical Coun told yesterday.

Kilbrandon date

The Government's co

tive document on the F-don commission's propos

devolution in Scotlen.
Wales will be published
week of June 3, the Cn
were told yesterday.

Mr Crosland, Secret State for the Environme-

Mr Amhony Stodart,

vative MP for Edinburg

Library saved

ist leaders. They greet each other in the street, chet in a local house, and have even met m the UDA's west Relfast headquarters. There were girns that the

are boasting six weeks supply of timed foods ready for siege or prolonged strike. The Army when the trike began last week The political week The political week The political were at their disposal in west Belfast, must of it profit from the UDA did not area road block for the first four days. The lu the Protestant streets the wes anxious not so deput from UWC's power is delicately bal. Its new political policies.

#### Terrorists to be tried on either side of border

From Stewart Tendler Dublin

Mr Cooney, the Minister of Justice in the republic, told tha

and escape retribution.

Announcement of teachers'

pay inquiry expected today

The inquiry could award more a joint working party of teach-pay for teachers in "tough" ers and their employers and schools and in educational pri that negotiations to extend the

be tried by an open session a special court of either the republic or Ulster.

taken on commission by one of the judges travelling across the border to hear the witness in the other country's court. He would be accompanied by counsel. Cross examination would be allowed and the accused could ask to be present

long to establish because of the corpus of law that would have to be created. There appear to have been differences about amending Irish

extradition acts to include political crimes. The British contingent argued that it was possible in legal terms both domestically and internationally but the Irish did not accept that because it would have meant a change in the Irish constitution and thus a referendum.

Courts in the Republic of Ireland and Ulster are to be given powers to my crimes committed on either side of the border. The system was recommended yes-terday in the report of the Law Enforcement Commission set up after the Sunningdala talks and the necessary legislation is to be introduced at Westminster and

As expected, the concept of an all-Ireland court, changes in extradition laws on political crimes, and courts with a mixed bench have been put aside for constitutional reasons or ones-tions of time in favour of the extraterritorial method of dealing with terrorism. In political terms the commission's report means there will be no confrontation in Ulster over the implications of an all-Ireland court and no difficulties in the republic on changing the consti-tution to deal with extradition for political crimes.

Dail yesterday the reports recommendations would mean that in future extremists would not be able to cross the border.

Mr Cooney said the specific legislation required for the commission's recommendation was being drafted at the moment and would probably be presented to

sction by hundreds of London

ance. Ahout a dozen schools in

inner London were closed and

thousands of children had an

Discrimination may end : Hun-

dreds of married women teachers are likely to henefit from improved conditions of mater-

term, and a clause of the regu-lations that discriminates

unmarried

teachers is likely to be abol-

The National Union of Teach-

ers will announce today that changes have been approved by

a joint working party of teach-

period of paid leave after the

birth from seven to 13 weeks are still going on. Other likely changes include:

extending maternity leave to teachers who adopt children;

allowing teachers to work up to four weeks hefora the expected

date of hirth instead of 11; allowing pregnant teachers to leeve on full pay if there is a

afternoon off.

the Dail within three weeks. The new method of dealing with terrorists will not be put into operation until both countries have passed the legislation. The machinery of the system will mean that the accused will

If witnesses were unwilling to travel, although they would be given guards, evidence would be taken on commission by one of

In the mouths of discussion the commission dismissed the idea of an all-Ireland court, which would have meant a court operating for the whole of the country. The commission decided that the solution would take too

By Tim Jones

Chess : Congress was en prise last night when the organizers announced that only en immediate cash injection of £3,500 could save the tournaits kind in Britain Mr . Laurence Glyde, the returns con-gress director, said that unless the money was forthcoming within eight days the congress would have to be abandoned.

The cuisis has arisen because of the decision by Mr Jim Slater, the City financier, to reduce his contribution toward the tournament costs to £2,500 e year. Mr Slater, who saved the Fischer-Spassky world title match by increasing the prize money by £50,000, has contribu-ted £16,000 to the Hastings congress during the past few

years. Mr Glyde said: "This year

#### Cash crisis may end Hastings chess congress

will be our fiftieth in running the oldest continuous interleeve on full pay if there is a risk of infection from German measles or else get employment in another school; and possibly allowing local authorities to give a few days off with pay to fathers after their baby is born.

The Hastings International

# agreed to the demolit COO Braningban's old library, but its Shak Memorial Library Section be dismantled and eligible. MP to retire

a former minister at the l of Agriculture and at tha Office, announced last r. will not stand for reelecti Hospital inquiry 13,500 could save the tourns. South Wales police ar ment, the best-known event of tigating alleged corrup volving hospital supplie statement they said the

was at the request of Wales hospital man-Inquiry plea refus

A demand by Mr. Thompson, the enthor public inquiry into the of Broadmoor has been by Mrs Castle, Secre State for Social Service.

Medical education An inquiry into medication starts today in Ti. Higher Education Sup There are also articles c

#### mics' political incl promotion for pol

teachers, academic freed environmental sciences.

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moderate to rough. St. George's Channel.

Yesterday

#### Prentice refusal to address students after 'racist' ban

By Our Education Correspon- Essex University, has resigned

Mr Prentice. rejecting an invitation to speak at a conference in September, said yestarday: "I have decided not to speak to any NUS conference." or function so long as this policy prevails." He would address individual student nnious that had rejected the policy.

Resignation over discipline: Dr students

as dean of mathematical studies Prentice, Secretary of after failing to persuade the State for Education and Science, has rejected all invitations to speak to the National
Union of Studeots because of
the union's decision to ban
"Fascist" end "racist" speak
ers from university campuses.

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The Prenice and Sciand Sci senate ratified the appeal committee's decision to reinstate university.

University Court of Appeal has passed on Mr Stephen Perkins Resignation over discipline: Dr students against lan Cook, a senior lecturer at setences were dismissed.

reduced to six months the 12-month rustication sentence Mr Fowler, Minister of for his part in the occupation State for higher education, has of the Indian Institute last term also refused to speak to stu- (our Oxford correspondent dents. Appeals by 12 other

#### Test cases likely on lack of care for mentally ill

By John Roper Medical Reporter

Test cases may soon be brought by Mind, the campaigning arm of the National Association for Mental Health, against local authorities for failing to provide services for the mentally disordered.

Mr Tony Smythe, director of Mind, said yesterday that in its opinion the 1959 Mental Health Act compelled local anthorities

Act compelled local anthorities to provide services.

He was introducing a Mind report which points to gaps in care of the mentally ill and handicapped resulting from government policy of running down large psychiatric huspitals without ensuring that matching services exist. residential places and 30,000 dey services exist.

Mr. Christopher Maybew. Psychiatric Hospitals (Mind, 16) chairman of Mind, said that in the case of Mr Ian Ball the 30p plus 10p postage).

deficiencies of the psychiatric services had been widely admitted. The substance of the report was that the services did Mr Smythe said that after the

South Ockendon report Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, did not offer much more than a bit of concern, and the promise of a more liberal policy on loan sanctions. The report points out that guidelines sent to local authorities in 1972 estimated that 12,000

places were needed. The pre-sent provision was 2,100 residen-tial places, supplemented by 1,300 voluntary places and 3,700 day places.
Mind Report 13: The Run-down of

#### Dispute stops television **Drogrammes**

meeting in a hall.

By Our Lahour Staff Sy Our Lahour Staff
Some BBC relevision programmes due to be broadcast yesterday and today heve had to be cancelled because of a strike involving 500 staff over a regrading dispute. The strikets, members of the National Association of Theatrical, Television and Kine Employees. are and Kine Employees, are mainly driver riggers on outside broadcast units and scenery and properties men.

Last night's edition of Sea It This Way, which was to have been a discussion between employers and union leaders, had to be cancelled, and live coverage of a tennis championship et Bournemouth was halted (as it happened, the tournamant was stopped by rain).

Last night's filming of the World Professional Latip-

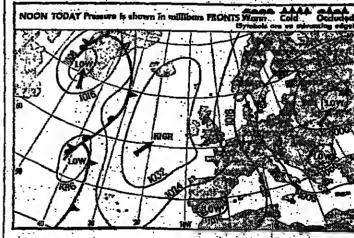
American Dance Championship at the Albert Hell, for transmission tonight, was stopped, and a replacement programme will be shown.
The union hes called out the

affected workers on indefinite strike, because of a disagreement with the RBC over possi-ble loss of earnings if the workers are moved into differeot grades. If the dispute contiones it may affect weekend sports coverage and some programmes next week.

Pension book change Recause of delays in the renewal of pension books, the Post Office is to make payment on production of the old books under arrangements announced yesterday by the Department of Health and Social Security.

Labour research chief Mr Geoffrey Bish, aged 35, a research assistant with the Labour Party, has been appoinred secretary of the party's re-

### Weather forecast and recordings



Sun rises: Sun sets:
4.57 am 8.58 pm
Moon rises: Moon sets:
7.17 am 11.47 pm First Quarter : May 28.

First Quarter: May 28.
Lighting up: 9.28 pm to 4.26 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.4
am, 7.4m (24.3ft); 4.26 pm, 7.2m
(23.6ft); Avonmouth, 9.55 am,
13.2m (43.4ft); 10.13 pm, 12.3m
(43.6ft). Dover, 1.7 am, 6.5m
(21.3ft); 1.32 pm, 6.5m (21.3ft); 9.2
pm, 7.1m (23.4ft). Liverpool, 1.24
am, 8.8m (25ft); 1.50 pm, 8.7m
(28.5ft).

An anticyclone will move slowly W of Ireland, with a N airstream over the British Isles.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: C, cloud; L, fair; r,

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wind N, moderate or fresh max temp 14°C (57°F). W Midlands, SW England, Wales: Showers, becoming mainly dry with sunny periods: wind N. moderate, locally fresh; max temp 16°C (61°F) NW England, Lake District, Isle

NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW. NW. Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Mainly dry. sumy periods; wind N. moderate; max temp 14° to 16°C (57° to 61°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, E Scotland, Aberdeen, central Highlands, Meray. Firth, Catthoess: Sumy spells, occasional showers; wind N. moderate or fresh: max wind N. moderate or fresh; max temp 13v to 150C (550 to 550g). Orkney, Shetlarid: Sunny spells, occasional showers; wind N., moderate or fresh; max temp 12°C.

Forecasts for 6 am to sudnight:

London, East Anglia, central S.
SE. R. central N England, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Sunny intervals and showers, heavy in places, possibly with thunder:

of Dover; English Channel (E):

London: Temp: mai 7 pm, 14°C, 57°F; m 7 am, 11°C, 52°F; H; 74 per cent. Rain, 24 17 inches. Sun, 24 1 23 -hours. Bar, mea 7 pm, 1010.5 millibars 1,000 millibars = 29.53 At the resorts 24 hours to 6 pm, May, Sun Rain lor hrs in C

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# Stiffer penalties proposed for councillors who conceal interests

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Christopher Warman cal Government respondent

compulsory register of uniary interests and ional code of conduct for councillors are the two recommendations of the me Minister's committee on al government rules of con-t, whose report was publid yesterday.

he register, open to inspec-by any local elector, should lude all employments, land property owned in the area he authority, any companies which the councillor has more a a specified interest, and tenancy of premises owned the authority.

nder the chairmanship of d Redcliffe-Maud the comtee also recommends that the on disclosure of pecuhiary rests should be strengthened. increased penalties for ire to disclose, including

1 its other main recommenon, the committee says that lloyees of a local authority ald continue to be legally walified from election as

he committee was set up last ber by Mr Heath, then ccepting that there is a great ocal government at present committee points out that 964-72, the latest period for ch full details were available, members and 22 em-rees were convicted under

, and 16 membere were con-ed of failure to disclose a ed of tallife to disclose a loiary interest. own judgment, largely subject of necessity, is that standards orduct in local government are share the public concern that uption exists; and it is a fact unless corruption is stopped reads. The only acceptable dard for British local governt is complete honesty.

Prevention of Corruption

dard for Shish local govern-t is complete honesty. 1 1971-72, the report says, l local government expendi-io England and Wales, and tland, was more than 000m, compared with less 1 £1,600m 20 years earlier. ee specific developments ee specific developments tributing to that growth wera growth in the value of con-

significance of decisions on land use planning and the entry of local authorities into the busi-ness of comprehensive redevel-

opment:
Those who, as members and employees of local authorities, comprol the deployment of such large resources, bear a heavy responsibility to the community and are at permanent risk from the less scrupulous elements in it.

The committee believes that the two essential safeguards for honesty in local government are the honesty of the individual. and maximum openness by all concerned.

concerned.
Rules of conduct cannot create honesty; nor can they prevent deliberate dishonest or corrupt behaviour. Rather, they are a framework of reference embodying uniform minimum standards.

Referring to the growth of party politics in local government particularly after

ment particularly after reorganization, the committee seys that policies are discussed seys that policies are discussed and often settled in party group meetings open neither to the public nor the press.

The political parties at the national as well as the local level have a major and continuing responsibility to ensure that standards of conduct at group meetings are no less strict than those at meetings of the authority; and we recommend that they should seriously consider what action this responsibility requires of them.

requires of them.

The report tecommends that

councillors should be required to disclose a pecuniary interest orally whenever it arises, and that the present partial option of a general written notice of interests should be abolished. Councillors whose disability for speaking or voting has been temoved by a dispensation of the Secretary of State should be expressly required to disclose orally both the interest concerned and the existence of the

The committee recognizes that measures would need changes in council meeting procedure and might cause some practical difficulty "But we are satisfied that the changes are needed in the interest of open-ness and public confidence."

A council member who de-clared an interest should withdraw completely, out of earshot, so that he could not hear the discussion of the issue in which his interest lay. The committee rejects the suggestion that at an open meeting he could go to the public gallery, on the ground



Lord Redcliffe-Maud, chairman of the committee.

that his presence might inhihit his colleagues from speaking

compulsory register of pecuni-ary interests, the committee says that objections to it are ourweighed by the substantial con-tribution to public confidence which a carefully designed register could make. We do not believe .

represent any greater intrusion on privacy than may rightly be required of someone who submits himself to elected office; or that it would deter many people from A register would belp to show that councilors had nothing to hide; help to remove the groundless suspicion which malice could now ettach to inno-

cant people; and give the elec-tor a more accessible picture of the member's general back-ground than the record of speci-fic disclosures at meetings, and would for that reason be a more convincing demonstration of The tegister should include

the interests of the member's spouse where known to the member, but not those of any other The committee's recommenda

tions for inclusion in the regis-

ter are:

1. All paid employments and occupations, including directorships, consultancies, and any sponsorship, of the member by any organization or person. The amount of the income involved need not be stated except that from moreorship. income involved need not be stated except that from sponsorship, which can be distinguished from other sources of income because it is directly related to the member's contribution to the business of the authority. Professional men would be required to indicate the oame and business of their firm, but not the names of clients. but not the names of Chems.

2. All land or other real property in the area of the authority, owned freehold, or beld on a lease granted for one year or more, or in respect of which an option in purchase is beld; the location to be described generally rather than precisely.

generally rather than precisely.

3. Companies or other bodies where the member has a beneficial interest in securities of a nominal value greater than £1,000, or one hundredth of the issued share capital, whichever is the less. The amount of the holding need not be stated. Investment trusts and unit trusts should be excluded.

4. Any tenancy of premises owned by the authority. by the authority.

The present maximum penalty for failure to disclose—a £200 fine—should be raised to hring it into lina with contemporary

money values and to indicate its

The committee recommends maximum penalty of a fine of £400, or six months' imprisonment, or both, for a summary trial, or two years' imprison-ment and an unlimited fine for trial on indictment. The period of limitation under which proceedings could be brought should be increased from six months, to 12 months from the date when the alleged offeoce became known, or five years from the date of its commission. Non-pecuniary interest, such as kinship, could not be covered

by law, but councillors and employees should treat them on the same principles as pecuniary interests. Councillors should never serve as chairmen, nor in some circumstances even as members, of committees in whose subject they had a substantial business, professional or other personal interest

Regarding bospitality and facilities, the committee says councillors and employees should ensure that bospitality given or received in connexion with their official doties could always he justified in the pub-

that the use for private gain of information received through membership or employment in a local authority should be a

criminal offence. Local anthority officers should be required to disclose an interest in a "contract, pro-posed contract or other matter" not only in a "contract", as at

They should also be required to disclose a pecuniary interest orally at meetings, and offences by officers against these re-quirements should be subject to the same penaltice and limits on

prosecution as those hy coun-Local authorities should keep a record, open to inspection by councillors, of the pecuniary councillors, of the pecuniary interests of chief and deputy chief officers and such other officers as the authority might

The committee states that local government employees should not undertake outside work for payment by members of the public on any matter within the scope of their official duties. Senior and professional staff should not, within two years of retiring or resign-ing from the authority, take up without the anthority's consent comparable employment in the

anthority's area. The law should not be changed, the committee recommends, in regard to the disqualification of employees of an authority from becoming members of it. In evidence, the Labour Party, the TUC and individual unions emphasized the importance of removing or relaxing that disqualification.

The committee says the arguments in favour of such a move were outweighed by the need to avoid conflicts of interest, to meintain political impartiality, and to secure sound interoal relationships in the authority's organization.

There is no category of employees to which none of these considerations applies. No clear distinction can be made between employees who should remain disqualified and

those who should not.
One partial exception was toe cooption of teachers to education committees. The committee does

lic interest, and that official not recommend the abolition of the purposes of official duties.

The committee recommends the sevet members of the committee far oursel its abolition.

The committee recommends thet where there ere reasonable grounds for suspecting corruption, there should be a power, available only on application by the Directo: of Public Prosecu-tions to a High Court judge, for the police to inspect the financial record; of persons or organizations before the start of proceedings. It also seeks a change in the law to allow a court discretion to disqualify a person convicted of corruption for membership of a local outhority for life on a first

offecce. To maintain standards, the local authority must keep its own house in order and enable others to see whether it is doing so, the committee orges. It should have a clear and publicly known machinery for reviewing its own procedures and for investigating complaints; eno should pursue vigorous policies of two-way communication with the oublic-In that, the press, radio and tele-vision also had important

vision also had important responsibilities. A wise council will ensure that journalists are not only given the obvious facilities, but also are eocouraged and helped to uoderstand the authority work. Where the authority has oo full-time press officer, there should be a named officer responsible for this work. The flow of facts should be as free, copious and clear as possible: this is the only basis for a sound relationship between he authority and the media.

If local government has in the past been guilty of a distantor unhelpful attitude to the media, it is also true that the media have much to answer for.

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careless reporting were familiar. The committee seys that while genuinely critical reporting and comment were indispensable to the health and hooesty of local government, " facts must come The committee looks to ceo

tral government to undertake urgent consultations with the local authority associations ahout establishing an agreed national code of conduct, and to the departments concerned to consider giving fresh advice on procedures for the award of

Contracts.

Leading article, page 16 nebis into Britain.

#### Recompense for Myra Hindley's go-between

Mrs Petricia Ali, who lost six months' remission for making a false" accusation ahout a prison officer's lesbian relation-ship with Myra Hindley, is to get compensation, an MP disclosed

yesterday.
Mr William Wilson, Labour
MP for Coventry, South-east, has
been told by Mr Jenkins, Home Secretary, that he is to appoint an independent assessor to hear representations and suggest an ropriate sum

appropriate sum.
Mrs Ali, aged 45, of Edgbaston,
Birmingham, was serving 30
months et Holloway for e car insurance fraud. She reported
the reletiooship between Myra Hindley and Patricia Cairns, a prison officer, after acting as their go-betweeo

A visiting magistrate at Hollo-way found ber guilty of making malicious allegations. She lost 180 days' remission and served two weeks in solitary confine-

A Home Office inquiry was begun after Mrs Ali had told Mr wilsoo of the affair between Myra Hindley and Miss Cairns, a former Carmelite nun. At the Central Criminal Court in April Miss Cairns was jailed

for six years for conspiring to effect Myra Hindley's escape. Myra Hindley, already serving a life sentence for the moors murders, was given a ooe-year sentence for the conspiracy.

Mrs Ali said yesterday:

Make no mistake, I want a lot

of money. As far as I am con-cerned £500,000 would he about right." She said she had received leuers threatening to her if she received compensation. She still bad letters from prison, including one from Myra Hindley and planned to give more details on life in Holloway.

#### Man cleared

Cleveland Albert Gregory, aged 41, of Brixham Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, a bus driver, was cleared at Winchester Crown Court yesterday of these charges of coorning of three charges of coospiring to import, and importing, can-

# )raft code sets out guidelines

he report sets out a draft for rational code of conduct to vide guidance for all countries, and to provide an explipabilic standard which those side local government can sect from it. It reads:
In national code of local remnent conduct
Is code is an authoritative guide all councillors elected or code to local authorities in English of council committees and sub-committees, and ship of council committees and ship of council committees and

Public duty and private

You have a special duty to You nave a special duty to own constituents, including who did not vote for you. Whenever you have a primor persunal interest in any lon which councillors have to e, you most not do anything t that interest influence the

Do nothing as a councillor you could not justify if it is public. he reputation of your counnd of your party if you beto one, depends oo your
ct and what the public beebout your conduct.
sclosure of pecuniary and

ne law makes specific provine law makes specific provirequiring you to disclose
lary interests, direct and inBut interests which are not
lary can be just as imporKinship, friendship, memberif an association, society, or
union, trusteeship and many
kinds of relationship can
imes influence your judgor give the impression that
night do so. A good test is
k yourself whether others
think the interest close
b to influence someone in b to infineoce someone in position. If you think they, or if you are in doobt, treat erest as if it were a peruniary

s code is an authoritative guide all councillors elected or cored to local authorities in Engid, Wales and Scotland. It supements both the law enacted by aritament and the standing orders and subcommittees and subcommittee

works. Before seeking or accepting membership of any such committee or subcommittee, you should seriously consider whether your membership would involve you (a) in disclosing an interest so often that you could be of linde value of the committee or subcommittees or (b) in weakening public confidence in the impartiality of the committee or subcommittee.

(ii) You should not seek or accept the chairmanship of a committee or subcommittee whose husiness is closely related to a personal interest of yourself or of anybody with which you are associated.

5. Councillors and efficers
(1) Both councillors and officers are servants of the public, and they are indispensable to one another. But their responsibilities are distinct. Councillors are responsible to the electorate and serve only so long as their term of office lasts, Officers are responsible to the council and are permanently appointed. An officer's job is to give advice to councillors and to carry out the council's work under the direction and control of councillors:

(ii) Mutual respect between com-

the direction and control of councillors:

(ii) Mutual respect between councillors and officers is essential to good local government. Close personal familiarity between individual councillor and officer can damage this relationship and prove embarrassing to other councillors and officers.

(iii) If you are called upon to take part in appointing an officer, the part in appointing an officer, the conly question you should consider is which candidate would hest

serve the whole council. You should not let your personal or political preferences influence your judgment. You should not can was the support of colleagnes for any candidate and you should resist any attempt by others to 6. Use of confidential informa-

As a councillor you necessarily As, a councillor you necessarily acquire much information that has not yet been made public. You should not normally reveal such information to anyone outside the council's membership or staff. It is a grave betrayal of trust to use confidential information for the personal advantage of yourself or personal advantage of yourself or of anyone known to you. 7. Gifts and hospitality

7. Gifts and hospitality
Treat with extreme caution any
offer of gift, favour of hospitality
that is made to you personally by
any person or organization that is
doing or seeking to do hushess
with the council or is applying in
the council for any planning or
other kind of decision. Working other kind of decision.
Innches and other social occasions
arranged or euthorized by the
council or by one of its committees
or subcommittees may be a proper or subcommittees may be a proper way of doing business, provided that no extravagance is involved. Nor can there be any hard-and-fast rule about acceptance or refusal of token of good will oo special occasions. But you are personally responsible for all such decisions and for avoiding the risk of damage to public confidence in local government.

8. Use of allowances
Observe scrupulously the rules entitling you to claim
(a) allowances for performing
approved duty "as a councillor

and
(h) repayment of expenses incurred for travel and subsistence
while doing business on the council's behalf.

cil's behalf.

9. Use of council facilities
Make sure that any facilities, such
as transport, stationery, or secretarial services, provided by the
council for your use in your official duties are used strictly for
those duties and for no other pur-

mose dunes and the committee pose. The members of the committee were Lord Redcliffe-Mand, chairman, Sir Philip Allen, Sir Mark Henig, Mr R. Leigh-Pemberton, Mr S. Lloyd-Jones, Mr J. M. Turner, and Mr David Widdicombe, QC. (Conduct in Local Government. Report of the Prime Minister's Committee on Local Government Rules of Conduct (Stationery Office, 570.)

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#### overnment considering call for ade union review body it might come forward with something definite at the time of the Employment Protection

e Government did not rehe idea that it might need
ld to the legal provisions
ealing with complaints by
hers against trade nuions,
both, Minister of State,
ovinent, told the Commons
ion committee on the
Union and Lahour RelaBill vesterday. Bill yesterday.
Free had been discussions the TUC, and careful ht had been given to the of the first solution, of a trade union w body, put forward by the van commission, be said. Government was seriously lering that and be hoped

The committee was consider The committee was considering a Conservative amendment, later withdrawn, which would have had the effect of reenacting in the Bill those sections of the Industrial Relations Act referring to "guiding principles for trade unions and employers' Since March, 1972, there had been 200 complaints against unions by members, former members and others, Mr Bouth said. Only 15 per cent had been upheld.

# edge to housing groups

ter for Housing and Con-ioo, during his Commons ing committee on the

commitment to help hous-sociations in difficulty was vesterded by 15-15-15 consider ways of helping hous-ing associations in an emer-

ing committee on the measures we are elready measures we are elready may not go far enough in the immediate cms of some associations. If their broblems preve endemic there is a mancadment to the Billing with the metter promise an amendment to the Billing with the metter problems preverue deficit financing provisions in place of the present subsides sidy system."

#### Prison officers closed visits

From Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent Weston-super-Mare

Enormous amounts of drugs Bnormous amounts of drugs and small tungsten blades hard enough to cut through the specially hardened bars are being passed foro Afbany top security prison during open visits, Mr James Roberts, an officer there, told the annual conference of the Prison Officers. Association at Weston-super-Mare yesterday.

Inmates had openly said to officers: "You can't watch us all the time."

Mr Roberts said: "We at

Mr Roberts said: "We at Albany face difficulties most days of the week by articles being passed through on open visits." Three officers had to watch 30 prisoners. Officers at the conference

called for closed visits at all prisons with high-risk prisoners. Officers also accused the Home Office of using the Offi-Home Office of using the Official Secrets Act to gag comment on matters of public interest. Mr Alfred Pinnan, of Bristol, said: "It has been said that if the Official Secrets Act were removed we might say things that would embarrass the minister in the House. If that minister in the House. If that is so, then it is time these things were said."



British airways

#### Summerland report says many human errors led to disaster

From John Chartres Douglas, Isle of Men

Faults in design, many inadequecies and feilures in management and lack of good communications between the various hodies concerned with the Isle of Man's Summerland cistire centra ell contributed to the fire that killed 50 people
Those are the main fiedings
of the commission of inquiry,
published today in a 35,000 word

The commission says, however, that there were "no villains". It goes on:
There were many human crrors and failures and it was the accumulate. hatjoo of these, too much reliaoce on ao "old boy" oetwork and some very ill defined and poor com-munications which led to the

disaster. In some words of comfort to ell concerned, the commission, which was headed by Mr Justice

which was headed by Mr Justice Canticy, adds:
It would be unjust not to acknowledge that oot every failure which is obvious now would be obvious before the disaster put the structure and people to the test.

The commission makes 34 recommendations, many of which will have fundamental effects no the architectural profassion, huilding industry and local government.

They include suggestions that architectural training should include a much extended study of fire protection and precautions;

fire protection and precautions: and that the theatre ragulations applying both to the Isla of Man and tha rest of the United Kingdom should be revised and

extended as a matter of urgency. The architects and designers; the Isle of Man Government and Douglas' Corporation (which jointly sponsorad and owned Summerland) and Trust Houses Forte (Lelsure) Ltd, which operated it as lessee, all take shares of the commission's criticisms of inadequactas, failures

and buman errors.

The report says that Summer-land was a multistorey building intended to house large numbers of people but it was constructed without the essential safety fosture of "compartmentation": the provision of barriers to separate people from a fire risk and to contain a fire to becake out in a limited if it breaks out in a limited

area.

In Summerland the audience and the fire risk were mixed up together on the solarium and the upper terraces, each of which had no separation from any other part of the building.

The building and its use also involved a factor that the commission says has perer figured.

mission says has never figured before io a fire disaster: most of the children in the building were eogaged io separate activities from their parents (one of the main ideas of the whole pro-ject was to provide different sorts of tuo for young and old) so that when the fire broke put many parents lost their lives trying to find their children instead of immediately making

instead of immediately making gord their own escapes.

The commission comments: It is easy to say that it should have been apprediated and provided for. It seems very obvious now. However, it was an unuqual feature and it is much more understandable for it to have been overstandable for it seems ove looked by those who were coocorned with fire precautions be-fore the building went into opera-tion than for Trust Houses Forte (Leisure) Ltd to bare overlooked it once the various features were

Air Correspondent

made clear yesterday.

No decision on the future of

the Concorde project will be taken in Britain before discus-

sions with the French partners,

government aviation sources

Fears entertained by the aero-

Fears entertained by the aerospace industry of a swift, unilateral cancellation of the project by Britain were thus dispelled. It also became clear
yesterday that although the
Cabinet bas discussed the
options open to it on the future
of the Concorde, no firm decision on which one to adopt has
been taken.

The public debate on Concorde costs and the implications of cancellation called for by Mr

Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Industry, is to continue

for some time yet. Ministers are still trying to establish the

What has been established is that the £80m estimated cost of

cancellation provided for Mr Benn by civil servants when he

set up his inquiry into the pro-

ject is a serious underostimate.

and trade unions going as high as £500m aro taken to be gross

overstataments. The search con-

tinues to find the balanced

It omerged yosterday that the Concorda had the narrowost of escapes in March, when Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, wanted to announce meeted with the Coocorde

But estimates by the industry

true cost of such a decision.

No unilateral decision on

Concorde by Britain

set out and the building was in actual operation. The report makes detailed

comments on the use of three relatively new materials used in relatively new materials used in the construction of the building, Oroglas, the transparent plastic material used for the roof and part of the walling; Galbestos, the cladding material used for walls, and Decalin, a type of fibreboard used as an interior lining to the Galbestos wall in the area where the fire first spread. first spread.

The combination of the two latter materials in e way suggested by Mr John Frank, an intartor designer employed by Gillinson Barnett, of Leeds, who were associate architects for the project, created a concoaled void with a combustible inner surface on both sides.

Such a void is a dangerous fire hazard and a serious breach of good building practice. This crror, which may well have been the blaggest single structural contribution to the disaster of the fire, arose from an unfortunate combination of circumstances at a time of in-

of circumstances at a time of in-teose activity. Mr Frank did not know the properties of Decallo and did not know that it was com-busnible.

On Oroglas the report comments:

ments:
The behaviour of a small burning sample gives little indication of the bolocaust which was produced by the burning of the external faces of Summerland. It is obvious that the rate of burning of Oroglas increases rapidly as it is beated by other borning material near to it.

In view of a strong recommendation that all exposed edges of Oroglas should be protected from direct cootact with flames it is difficult to explain way the designers, architects, and some fabricators alike permitted lithe long edges of all the roof domes to be exposed and unprotected

The report says the Galhestos east wall of the hullding provided the path by which the firs spread to the interior. Several changes were made to the original tnal design to reduca costs, and the commission comments that neither the architects nor H. H. Roberton (UK) Ltd, suppliers of the material, gave much thought to the fire risk in mak-

ing the changes.

Of the principal architect and his firm, J. Philipps Lomas and Partners, the commission says that his firm on the Isle of Mao is small and has rarely involved more than six people, of whom Mr Lomas bimself and his partner, Mr Briao Gelling, were tho only qualified architects. The firm had undertaken no work the project.
The choice of Mr Lomas as

principal architect by Douglas Corporation and the Local Government Board of the Islo of Man "presumably was made without recognizing that he had controlled only a spall architectural office all his life, and that his experience was limited. that his experience was limited only to modest building

The relationships between Mr nert and Partners, of Leeds, who were appainted associate archi-tects, are also spotlighted by the commission. Summerland required a first-class

architect and maoager working on the project during its design, erec-nion and completion. The two senior partners in the two archi-tectural practices lovolved, Mr J. P. Lomas and Mr Ciliford Barnett, once the original brochure had

unilateral cancellation in his

He was dissuaded after arguments from among his Cabinet

colleagues that such an action would damage the credibility of

Britain in foreign eyes as a country with which they could negotiate.

high level in the Government on

the future of the Concorde is the future of the aircraft indus-

the future of the aircraft indus-try in this country, including plans for nationalization.

Workers march: Two thousand Concorde workers marched through London in rain yester-day in an effort to persuade the Government to abandon any thought of scrapping the air-

The men, who gave up a day's

pay to travel to London by coach and car, carried a tele-

gram which must have given the

gram which must have given the Cabinet in conference at Downing Street an Indication of how difficult it would be to abandon the Anglo-French project.

The telogram from President

Giscard d'Estaing was addressed to the chairman of Filton Parisb Council. It said: "I confirm

the very great intorest that

have in the success of the Con-corde operation, on the tech-

nical as well as the commercial

plane, and in the development of the aeronautical industry."

Mr Eric Smith, council chair

Bound up with the debate at

Budget specch,



The fire at the Summerland leisura centre last A ugust when 50 people died.

been presented, did oot thereafter par design peocil to paper. The significant skills of designing and the decisions thus taken were passed successively to two job architects, oaither af whom had been associated with this kind and magnitude of project before.

No one clients, authorines or architects—ever stood back and looked at the project as a whole. Each could have dooe so, within the terms of their responsibilities. Neither principal, Mr Lomas nor Mr Barnett did so, and Mr Lomas nor Mr Barnett did so, and Mr Lomas nor Mr Barnett did so, and Mr Lomas nor mit be the expossibilities. Neither principal, Mr Lomas nor Mr Barnett did so, and Mr Lomas nor Mr Barnett did so, and Mr Lomas nor mit be design to admit in evideoe that be acted as a "nost box or cooduit" between Gillinson Barnett and the participants on the island, it became clear that communications, oarticularly those of a decisive character, were indifferent between the two. Quitations from letters which were written during the design period establish the kind of attitudes which sometimes arose. Examples are "we might get away with it"; treanog the theatre regulations "with a oloch of salt", and "I do not think we need worry uoduly on this business of fire resistance. The town council will have to apply a waiver and I do out think for one moment that they will refuse it."

On the relationships between the local Covernment Board of

On the relationships between the Local Government Board of the Isle of Man Government, Douglas corporation and the architects the commission refers to the waiver of local by-laws affecting the use of non-traditional materials such as Oroglas, and comments that it was unfor-tunate that there was a lack of

communication herwices the two On the performance by the employeea of Trust Houses Forte (Leisure) Ltd, as lessee, the cam-missian makes a number of stringeot comments about the stan-

dards of fire precautions and escape drills. There was evidence that five members of the staff were constituted as a team for the purpose of first-aid fipe fighting. There was po satis-

Two men in bank

each get 21 years

Sentences were passed at the

Central Criminal Court yester-

day by Mr Justice Eveleigh oo

the men found guilty on Wed-nesday in the bank robberies

trial. The judge described it as

Bruce Brown, sged 43, a for-mer golt club captain, of Cross-way, Heston, Middlosex, and Bryan Turner, aged 37, a for-

mor greengrocer, formerly of Folly Close, Radlett, Hertford-shire, were each jailed for 21 years. Other sentences were:—

30, a car dealer, of Broughton Road, West Ealing, Loodon (16 years); Daniel Alipress, aged 29, of Great North Road, Barnet,

Hertfordshire (16 years); William Reynolds, agad 33, of Hindhead Gardens, Nortbolt, Middlescx (13 years); William Sbervill, aged 32, of Warwick Court, New-

marker Road, Greenford, Middlesex (14 years); and David Delaney, aged 34. of Wimbourne, Avonue, Hayes, Middlesex (12

Anthony Edward Holt, aged 26, a former bank clark at Wom-bley, of Prince's Gardens, Acton,

London, was found guilty yester-day of helping in the Wembley

custody until June 10 for reports

Mathow, for the Crown, criminal

bankruptcy orders nere mese against Mr Brown, Mr Turner,

Mr Wilkinson, Mr Allpross and Mr Reynolds.

On the application of Me

James Stanley Wilkinson, aged

the "crime of the remury".

robberies case

factory evidence that training and instruction were undertaken by any members of the fire-fighting party. No organized systom of staff training existed and anart from the fire fighting party oo member of the staff was given any duty or any instruction whatever as to his or ber actions in the event of fire. The commission says the rapid spread of the sion says the rapid spread of the fire was due in part to the design and construction of the building and in part to failure by staff of Summerland to take prompt

and appropriate action. and appropriate action.
Of cardinal importance was the failure to call the fire brigade worll 21 minutes after the discovery of the fire. The members of the staff who tried to extinguish the fire were individually zealous, but their efforts were useless and the constitution of calling the fire no ooe thought of calling the fire brigade in time.

brigade in time.

This delay in calling the fire brigade and the failure to use the automatic alarm for the purpose are symptomatic of the general unawareness of the management of Summerland at this time of the importance of making proper provision for a possible fire emergency by practical organization and training of staff.

It is an unfortunate and very re-

training of staff.

It is an unfortunate and very regrettable fact that at the time of
the fire a number of the doors
intended for use as emergency
exits were locked.

exits were locked.

This was a particularly grave disregard of safety precontions
because on two occasions pucylously the fire service had complained to the management of
Summerland on thating exit doors
padlocked, and assurance had been
given that there would be no
reperition. The commission says relatively little about the original cause of

the fire, the new proved setting alight of a kiosk alongside one of the walls by a group of three Liverpool schoolboys. The commission's recommen-

Oils and fors have shows some of the sharpest price rises of recent months and their effects have not been felt fully

in prices of finished fonds. Anylooe who cuys olives or their
oil will have experienced increases already. Those who eat
ice cream and fish and chips
have not yet bad to face their
full effect.

have not yet bud to face their full effect.

The Goveroment disclosed to the Commons this week that frying dripping used in fish and chip shops was steady at £1.52; for a 28th box for two years from January, 1971. By April last year it had risen to £1.95 and last month it cost £3.75.

Mr T. E. L. Goldsmith, sales and marketing director of Lyons Maid, predicted in the industrial magazine Frozen Foods that ice-cream prices would rise by a third in the first half of this year.

The continuing decline in prices of tresh foods therefare masks a slow and persistent increase for oroccased lines, The Department of Prices and Consumer Protection predicted conspicuous falls yesterday for apples, lemons, lettuces, tomatoes, cauliflowers and fish.

Even rice has started to fall at wholesale level. It was the product most prone earlier this year to the practice of overstamping with higher price labels.

Prices of home-killed meat are still falling slightly, much to the chagrio of farmers and butchers. Poultry is steady, with the industry and the product was a seady, with the industry the product was a seady, with the industry to applie was another promo-

chagrio of farmers and butchers. Poultry is steady, with the industry mounting yet another promotion to sell frozon turkeys for the holiday weekend. The cheapest appears to be 25p a pound but most will cost 25p or 35p.

Cod. plaice and possibly fresh haddock should all be markedly theaper today while many fish-

take and be known to be taking the major design decisions. Architects and ellents should combine to consider carefully the requirements and performance of a building in use at the stage when conceptual designs are proposed, and before proceeding with details. Performance should embrace efficient and comfortable pecupancy and usage, and safety, including safety in case of fire.

Building inspections during con-struction should be conducted for-mally and precisely, both by archi-tects and local authority inspectors. They should be duly recorded to confirm that the building is being built in accordance with the approved, plans and the relevant by-laws and regulations.

The Theoree-Regulations should be

The Theatre Regulations should be revised and extended so that they include a complete code of safety regulations plainly applicable to a public entertainment building public entertainment building which is not a theatre in the ordinary sense.

The commission's chapter of recommendations concludes with the words:

This terrible fire, one of the mos rapidly developing fires ever to occur in a poblic building has not only left a remporary ruin oo the island but a permanent scar in the miods of Manxmen. It was tragedy mous of manamen. It was tracedy enough, but the commission believes it could have been even worse if Summerland bad been occupied by 5,000 people later in the evening after dark, and the fire had started then.

Apart from Mr Justice Canter, the two other members of the commission were Mr P. S. Wilson-Dickson, a fire expert, and Professor Denis Harper, of the huilding department of the University of Manchester Insti-The commission sat for 49 days between November, 1973, and February this year, and heard evidence from 91 witnesses. Eight Queen's Counsel were among the legal represen-tatives of interested parties, and

the cost of the inquiry ls esti-mated at £400,000.

Food prices

Hugh Clayton

South Coast are selling small Dover soles very cheaply.

Spriog vegetables are now arriving apace and some greengrocers are offeriog rather premature broad beans at 15p to 20p a nound m-tempt those. like me, who find their season cruelly short. Home-grown asparagus costs 75p for a nearly trimmed and bound 11b hunch while thick stumps are being sold loose for as little as 35p. The latter make good soup.

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The first English strawberries are appearing at 30p to 55p for a foz poonet while the larger Italian ooes are slightly cheaper. The best are arriving from France and cost 80p to £1.20p a pound, The cost of the largest, but oot necessarily tastiest examples, works out at a little less than 5p a strawberry.

terry. Lettuces and cauliflowers will

Lettuces and cauliflowers will cost as much as 3p less his weekend although the prices of the more desirable lettuce varieties may drop slowly. Tonatoes and imported dessert apples will drop alightly while pineapples have again appeared at about 40p each for the moderate-sized and 80p ar more for the vary large.

Avocadoes are also in season and their importers are advertise and so the season and their importers are advertise.

and their importers are advertis-ing vigorously. They cost about 15p sach whito a few shops have mangees at 25p or 30p each. Both repay careful examination before buying.

dations are:
In the designing of a building of
this type a named person should
be in charge from the outset and

Decline in fresh food costs

hides processed line rises

WEST EUROPE-

### M Giscard d'Estaing cuts down pomp for his inauguration

To the dismay of officials at the Elysee Palace M Giscard party, and introduced a boild d'Estaing has insisted of the and highly controversial reform simplest of eeremonies for his of secondary education. He induction as President on Monday.

After the ceremony he will break with all precedent by walking up the Champs Elysees to lay a wreath on the touch of the unknown soldier, increase of driving in an open car with a mounted escort of the Republican Guard

Ror the crowds in Paris the day will begin when the new President leaves his car at the President leaves his car at the corner of the Champs Elysees and walks to the Flysee Palace, so that the people massed behind crash-harriers can have a good look and cheer him.

Morning ceats bave been done away with for the cerement in the salle des fêtes. All the civic dignitaries, messent, including digataries present, including the President, will wear lounge cults. About 30 children from a state school will be there with

their teachers.
The Republican Guard in full dress will be missing at the saluta to the flag oo the rerrace of the palace. Instead, a detach-ment of national servicemen from the Second Dragoous, the ragiment in which the new President served as a corporal at the end of the war, will present arms and the hand will bo provided by an infantry regiment

During bis walk up the Champs Elysees to the Arc de Triomphe, military bands will play the revolutionary "Chant on Depart", M Giscard d'Estaing's signature tune during the election campaign.
All school-children will have

a half holiday to warch the ceremonies on television—a decision which the left-wing teachers unious bave con-domned as "demagogie". On Monday also the new Prime Minister will be announ-ced. Intense speculation contin-

ues in political circles and in the press about his name and the composition of the new

the composition of the new government, the more so as this time there have not been any of the usual leaks.

Earlier this week, the possibility of a non-political reconician heing chosen was widely canvassed, but this idea has lost ground and M Jeseph Pontanet; a youthful 53, and a Minister of Education in tha

#### MPs to demand Callaghan candour on Nine

after Parliament reassembles

Mr Heath and the Opposition have pressed for the debate to provide an opportunity for Mr Callaghan, the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary, 10 give a full account of the statemeat ha is to make on fune 4 to the Council of Poreign Mini-sters on the renegotiation of the terms of United Kingdom membership of the Nine.

Although the debate is to be

Although the debate is in be held on an adjournment motion, which makes a division highly improbable, there is an doubt that Opposition leaders want to give the closest scrutiny to the Government's statement.

Senior Parigin: Office and Treasury civil servants have already completed a round of the rapitals of the Nine, except Paris, preparing the ground for Mr Callaghan's statement on June 4, which is expected to be poblished in London as a White Paper.

There is no doubt that Europeanlats at Westminster see some reason for believing that the Labour Government's commitment to renegotiation may be rather less radical than some party reproved has no far my party rhetoric has so far sug-

It is being noted that for the present Mr Callaghan has not apparently attempted to base the case for renegotiation on the point of national soveroisnity, the point that has been dominant in the minds of anti-Europeanists at Westminster.

\$41,000 losses at embassy

From David Cross Brussels, May 23 Two employees of the United

States Embassy in Brussels have heen dismissed for the alleged misappropriation of government property and funds. The offences, which took place over many years, are estimated to have cost the American taxpayer at least \$41,000 (about £17,000). The two man, both locally employed Europeans, worked in

ance of the embassy and its residences. Both man had bad long service on the staff.

Many of the misappropria-tions involved the illegal use of carpentry and plumbing services, as well as some purchases of equipment. The employees are also alleged to have taken kickbacks in services and supplies from coptractors,

ballot of the election, which makes him acceptable to the Gaullists. Gaullists.

The name of M Jacques Chirac, the roung and very ambitions Minister of the Interior, has also been memioned. He led a revoir inside the Gaullist party against M Chahan Belmas, estensibly for M Messmer, but really for M Giscard d'Estaing. His appointment, however, would be like a red rag to many Gaullists; who regard him as responsible for their candidate's fiasco. It seems more likely that he will become Minister of Finance.

# Spy charge

From Our Own Correspond Bonn, May 23

The West German Gt
ment took the unusual st
organizing a press conferen
e religious holiday tode
defeed the reputation of head of the national con intelligence service,

a popular figure with the public, is increasingly mentioned. He agrees with the new President on four basic principles of foreign policy: the preservation of the nuclear deterrent; the rejection of any neutralization of central Europe; the creation of a European confederation, and relations of equality with the United States. The only question is whether the two men get on together personally. Prince Pontatowski, the closest confident of the new President, his campaign strategist and indispensable right-hand man, will most probably become Minister of the interior, and perbaps Poreign Minister at a later stage. Dr Güner Nollau, chief le Federal Office for the Prote of the Constitution, was all in a report last night to less the German spy. An obmogazine, claiming to he American Central Intelli Agency report to this a sounded the false alarm story gained brief promi here only because memor the discovery of the "spy Chanceliery" a month at still fresh.

The American State I ment added its weight i denial in n message to the German Interior Ministry M Jean Lecanniet, the president of the Democratic Centre, who after more than 10 years in opposition: powerfully contributed to M Giscard d'Estaling's election success, is billed for entry Ministry for Social Affairs. Since a bold policy of social reform was one of the conditions of M Lecannet's support, the appointment would be appropriate although his task will happointed the subspoint of the German counter-intelliger

priate, although his task will ha politically risky.

The government will probably have recandings in three or four posts and three women, including, for the first time, a woman. Minister of Justice. There has been only one woman in the past few governments.

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#### Schmidt call to German to strengthen democracy

By Our Political Staff

What may prove to be a crucial debate on the Labour Government's attitude towards membership of the EEC has been arranged for the House of Commons on Juno 11, the day action of democracy. He was stitution and the duties of the Commons of Juno 11, the day action of democracy. He was stitution and the duties speaking of the eve of the

ance. M Giscard d'Estaing will keep overall control of foreign affairs, as did Fresident Pompideu. But this does not exclude a strong personality at the Quai d'Orasy. The name of M Michel Jobert, the nublic,

a popular figure with the public,

constitution.

The anniversary will be marked tomorrow by a solemn state act of commemoration in Parliament which will be led by President Heinemann and tele

wisod.

In his broadcast. Herr
Schmidt said thet one-third of
the population had been born
since the "Basic Lay" camo
into force and these people took
it as a matter of course. "But

British woman arrested over kidnapping

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, May 23

Paris, May 23

A British women is among seven people, four men and three women arrested yesterday in France following the kidnapping on May 3 of Señor Baltazar Suarez, a Spanish banker, M Jean Ducret, the head of French triminal police announced.

The woman, said to be between 25 and 26, was arrested at Avignen with two other persons. She was said to have been found in possession of 3m francs (about 2300,000).

Señor Suarez was kidnapped from his home in the Paris anburb of Mentilly. He was released yesterday

#### TUC adopt dominant role in Europ From Paul Routledge.

Copenhagen, May 23 British trada unions strongly asserted their nant role in European a the opening session of th congress of the Europe Union Confederation

Mr Len Murray, a proposal calling for pean petroleum bank wi to buy all Britain's N

He also called for national trade union con on the exchange of inf about collective bargs that governments coul troduce statutory cor-pay under the pretext o pay under the pretext of wage costs competit other Engagean countri-in an appeal for real policies of the ETUC presents 30 million and covers most of Europe, Mr Murray dis half thought out "a s that the oil crisis creat Middle East war warran pean petroleum bank menopoly on huying as well as oil produc outside Europe. Who will control will it centrol " ? he a:

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# The Pope calls for world amne

Rante, May 23 The Pope tudey issued his

Bull—the most selemn form of papel prepoungement—pro-claiming the forthcoming Holy Year, which he sees as casting light on "the problems which most disturb and tormeat manmost disturp and tut meat man-kind." He refers to economic and social questions, the prob-lems of acology and sources of agersy, and "abose all, that of the liboration of the oppressed and the uplifting of all men to a new dignity of life."

In this connexion, the Pape makes two proposals. The first is for inpre help to phorer and less fortunate countries. Once more we make a particularly strong appeal on behalf of do-

valoping countries, and of peo Holy Years, which are ples still afflicted by hunger every 25 years, and and by war. "We should like also to ex- newal and reconcili

press the humble and sincere. The Pone points desire that in this present Holy renewal and reconcil Year the proper anthorities of the different nations should consider the possibility of wisely granting an amnesty to mance of 10 years from prisoners, as a witness to clemency end equity, especially to those who have given sufficient proof of moral and civic repabilization, or who may have been caoght up in political and social upheavels too immense for them to be held fully responsible. The Pope opens his Bull by splidated during recounting the tradition of years,

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### Impeachment inquiry in grim mood Hearst case after President's refusal to obey present and future subpoenas

From Fred Emery

Washington, May 23 The House of Representatives impeachment inquiry continued today in grimmer mood after Mr Nixon's express refueal to abide by present or future subpoenas for evidence. The President's for evidence. The President's edited tape transcripts were also described publicly as "inadequate and unsatisfactory", and as unreliable evidence that should be treated with great reservation, by Mr John Doar, chief counsel to the House judiciary committee.

indiciary committee.

Mr Doar has now had time to compare some transcripts with the full tapes that have come into his possession through the grand jury investigation. On reflection, he said, he had found enough differences to make surrender of the actual tapes to the committee an imperative.
The President's defiance was

The President's defiance was termed "a very grave matter" by Mr Peter Rodino, chairman of the impeachment committee. Vice-President Ford has again urged Mr Nixon to cooperate with Congress, if not with the special prosecutor, whose right to pursue his separata subpoenas is being challenged by the President.

In a separate issue, the Presi-In a separate issue, the President has also been served two subpoenas from a federal court on behalf of his two former senior advisers, Mr John Ehrlichman and Mr Charles Colson. They face trial on conspiracy charges arising out of the White Honse "plumbers" breaking into the home of Dr Daniel Elisberg's psychiatrist. The There are no quivers.

There are no quivers.

The latest group were the foreign ministers of the Central Treaty Organization, including Mr Callaghan, the British Foreign Secretary, who all came away apparently feeling the President was bearing up astonishingly well. He looked a little dark round the eyes, but so did everyone in Washington

President has until tomorrow to from the sort of work being put

Judge Gerhard Gesell bas said he may throw out the case if the Government does not supply evidence, as required under the law, that may prove exculpatory to defendants. (Ironically such government miscooduct led to the case against Dr Ellsberg himself being thrown out in the middle of the trial a year ago). The luckless Senate Watergate

The inckless Senate Watergate committee today lost its appeal for the White House tapes it originally subpoenaed. The Court of Appeals upheld manimously a lower court ruling that, in effect, the impeachment execute head executed on the court of the cou ment events had overtaken the Senate committee. Senator Sam Ervin, whose

investigators were the ones to cause Mr Alexander Butterfield to hlurt out that the President taped everything, has vowed that be will try taking his case to the Supreme Court, but it looks Virtually every one of Mr Nixon's visitors these days admits to have been watching secretly for tell-tale signs of the strain he must be onder. Yet all come away saying he looks fine.

There are no quivers.

be impressively briefed on Cento be impressively briefed on Cento affairs. He gave special attection to Mr Aziz Ahmed, the Pakistan Foreign Minister. Mr Nixon brought the focus of conversation back to him continually, well knowing the concern over India's nuclear explosion

Anterican streogth.

Peter Strafford writes from
New York: Father John
McLaughlin, the ebullient Jesuit
priest who is employed in a
public relations job at the White
House, has been called to order
by his religious superior over by his religious superior over the strong support he gave to President Nixon in a recent press conference, defending the President's use of swear words.

Fresident's use of swear words.
Father Richard Cleary, the
regional provincial of the
Jesuits for New England, said in
Boston yesterday that be was
summoning Father McLaughlin
for an eight-day-retreat. He was
asking him to "pray about bis
situation and reflect with me" Father McLaughlin said today

The President was thought to

explosion. Standing behind the man as he spoke of foreign policy, could be sensed, it was said, the cootinuing might and stability of

the United States, whatever happened to him. That was what mattered in foreign policy and it could all be pursued in spite of impeachment. Of course, there were problems, but it did not change the fundamentals of not change the fundamentals of

that he had not yet decided whether to obey Father

Cleary's summons.

#### gang perplexes the FBI

From Our Owo Correspondent

Washingtoo, May 23 The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is perplexed by the so-called Symbionese Liberation Army, Mr Clareoce Kelley, the FBI Director, has not been afraid repeatedly to say in public that his "G-men" had no idea where Miss Patricia Hearst was being held originally in San Francisco. Now, with his men issuing a "Nanted" notice for her as a

has bardly changed. Even the Los Angeles shootings were luck rather than detection.
Clearly, this group of welleducated terrorists is of great preoccupation to the FBI; not least because its elusiveness is an embarrassment to an agancy that prides itself oo getting its

dangerous criminal, the situation

fugitives.
It is true, if unnoticed, that during the Hearst affair 15 other cases of kidnapping have occurred here and all have been solved with the help of the FBI. Virtually all the ransom mmey kidnappers captured. That success only points up the inability to trace the SLA.

The fact that its associates have been able to resist a reward

offer said to have been double the \$50,000 (£20,000) publicized

also is inexplicable
One conclusion being drawn is
that the FBI must bare its powers to tap telephones restored. It is intended to use the SLA incident as ammunition to persuade Congress to change the law.

### India is accused of opening nuclear road

From Our Correspondent Genera. May 23

Mr Agha Shahi, the Pakistaoi delegate told the 25-nation Disarmament Conference bere today that a new situation, full of menace to oeighbouring

countries, had ariseo after Iodia's detonation of an underground nuclear device. "The barrier to nuclear proliferation interposed by the

non-proliferation treaty has been demolished", he said. The road has been thrown open for the emergence of a seventh and an eighth nuclear power, for Israel and South Africa to emulate India's example, with all the consequences to the peace and security of the Middle East and security of the Middle
East and southern Africa that
must ineluciably follow for
those already explosive
regions."

Mr Shahi said Iodia's surreptitious entry into the nuclear c'ub was a severe blow to hopes that nations of the southern Asian subcontinent could devote their atteotion and resources ex-clusively to the elimination of poverty and distress afflicting countless millions.

In choosing the nuclear oprion, India had speot, according to United Nations sources, over 5150m (about £62m) annually for the past decade at

Mr Brajesh Mishra, tha Indian delegate- referred critics to the letter sent by Mrs Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, to Mr Bnutto, the Pakistao Prime

normally", with testing going on at a range in southern Inda. Some reclinological aid was being provided by the United Nations.

Delegates of Nigeria, Britain, Canada and Holland expressed varying degrees of regret that India had decided to explode a

Our Delhi Correspondent writes: Airs Gandhi, assured Mr Bhutto in her letter that India's "peaceful" explosion of a nuclear device last Saturday did not pose any threat to

Pakistan's security. Mrs Gandhi is voderstood to have reaffirmed that her Government has no intention of manufacturing nuclear weapons. She also recalled that both India and Pakistan were pledged to resolve their differences peace-fully under the 1972 Simla

Agreement.

Mrs Gandhi's letter was presumably prompted by Mr
Bhutto's angry reaction in
Lahore last Sunday to lodia's
test when be accused India of
"braodishing the sword of
nuclear blackmail".

Mr Bbutto also gave a warn ing that the test would have an adverse effect on the process of normalizing Indo-Pakistao relations. Our Washington Correspondent writes: The Central Treaty Organization (Cento) "took

note" disapprovingly of India's nuclear test in the communique closing its annual ministerial meeting bere last night.

The Foreigo Ministers of Iran. Pakistan, Turkey and Britain with Mr Keooeth Rosh, Action

Later Mr Mishra told correspondents that India's rocket programme was "proceeding nuclear proliferation".

Nepal bans German climbers for three years

From Our Correspondent Karmandu. May 23

Nepal has imposed a threeyear climbing ban on the Oherland Sektion of the German Alpige Club after the unauthorized climbing of

Himalayan peak in April. A fice of \$600 (about £250) has also been imposed on the defaulting expedition, which was led by Herr Pete Beedoar, an engineer from Munich.

The penalty is the most sererc imposed since 1930, when Nepal first allowed a climbing expedition in. The three-year bao will run from the end of this year's monsoon season.

A Nepal Foreign Ministry spokesman said that the action was taken after thorough in-restigation and keeping to mind the need for strict discipline and regularity in mountaineering activities.

The Germao expedition was given permission in scale Anoapurna 2, in western Nepal but instead climbed Annapurna 4.

Three of the eight members—
Herr George Gruber, aged 30,
Herr Heinz Hutti, aged 30, and
Herr Franz Leutgab, aged 26—
climbed Annapurna 4 on April
26. When the message of their
success was received by the
Foreign Ministry it asked them to cease their attempt on Anna-purna 2 and return to Katmandn at once. One of the three told journalists on his arrival here early this month that they did not climb Annapurna 4.

#### Soviet olive branch to Peking on waterways

Moscow, May 23.-The Soviet Union today offered to cooperate with China over improving navigation conditions in waterways along their common frontier if China respected Soviet territorial integrity.

Tass said the Soviet Foreign Ministry today handed a Note to the Chinese Charge d'Affaires in Moscow declaring that "the Soviet side sees no difficulties in the solution of the question of the passage of Chinese vessels through Soviet inland water-

mentioned the Amur and Ussuri rivers, the scene of Sino-Soviet armed clashes some five years ago, which run along the from

The Note added that the pas sage of Chinese vessels through Soviet waterways depended on whether Chine returned to "the positions of respect of the sovereign rights and territorial integrity of the Soviet-Union ". Failure to come to agreement on the question led to a worsening of relations, culminating the 1969 border clashes.

In addition, the Sovier press In addition, the Soviet press has printed several attacks on Peking over the past few weeks because of the continued Coinese detention of a Soviet military helicopter and its crew, who made a forced landing on the Chinese side of the frontier in March. Moscow has asked the International Red Cross to interprete a Review. vene.-Reuter.

#### Commonwealth development bank proposed By Our Diplomatic

The establishment of a Commonwealth development bank will be considered by financial experts of Britain, Canada, India, Nigeria, Kenya and Jamaica when they meet in London from May 28 to June 7. The hank could help develop-ing Commoowealth countries

ing Commoowealth countries which can compete in delivery dates and prices of exports against industrial countries, but cannot match their credit facili-ties. The hank could also help to finance joint ventures between Commonwealth coun-

The British Commonwealth Development Corporation has during the past 10 years assisted development and bas assisted development and has also basefited British trade, with the profits ploughed back to ex-pand its own operations. A similar institution supported by several Commonwealth coun-tries could, it is argued, belp to develop the trade of members on a wider multilateral basis. on a wider multilateral basis.

The experts who will discuss this project have been nominated by their Governments and selected by Mr Arnold Smith, tha Commonwealth Secretary.

General. They will meet again

in July and report to the Commonwealth Finance Ministers.

meetiog in the autumn. German jailed in Greece for leaflet protest

From Our Correspondent Athens, May 23 Herr Gunter Wallraff, the West German writer, was today sentenced by the Athens special military court to 14 months' imprisonment for violating the martial law. He chained himself

to a lamp-post in Constitution Square two weeks ago to distri-bute anti-regime literature.

He said he had intended to. demonstrate West German solidarity with the Greek solidarity with the solidarity with the people. " If this was turned into a public lesson in fascism, this is scarcely my fault ", he added.

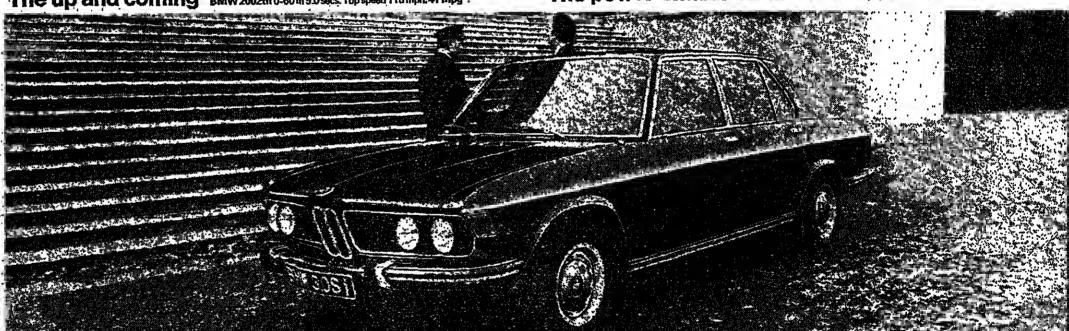
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### Dr Soares says Portugal must profit from the decolonizing experience of Britain and others

Secres, the Portuguese Foreign Minister, today praised the leaders of the liberation movemornis in his country's three Mirican territories as "meo of freme stature" and appealed to the settlers to accept selfdetermination of the three lands es a solution that would safeguard their interests and assure a lattice for their children.

He made the statement on the cyc of his departure for Loodo, where he will meet Guinea rebel leaders for the first official paper talks in the 13-year-old Minican wars. His Government is heping for similar talks with the rebals in Mozambique and

Ancola soon.

Le Spares said the first task was to achieve a ceasefire, and that the future of the toree territories would be determined by a refurendum. "Details of the refurendum have not been worked out", he told journalists. "One of the primary tacks of the Government is to tacks of the Government is to column the While population

We must tell them that it he lectermication) is in their or a interest and for their childma's future. It hast defeods from ... We need their er negation."

The leaders of the liberation novements, whom the former rights sing regime called terrorists, ware, he said, men of good stature "not only in their own countries, but in the international field".

Mr. Aristides Pereira, of the forces liberation movement.

Gainea liberation movement, when he will meet in London, was "a man of the open spirit", Dr. Sources said. Mr. Agostinho listo, head of the Movement fur

Two Portuguese

home from exile

Dr Cesar Moreira Eaptista, the

former Minister of the Interior,

and Professor Joaquim Silva

Cunha, who was Overseas

Minister, have been flown back

From Our Correspondent .

ex-ministers

Lieben, May 23

Frelimo (Front for the Libera mandor of the Portuguese armed tion of Mozambique) was "a forces io Mozambique, has boer man of groat knowledge and e great sense of responsibility.

Dr Soeres used the word decolooization in describing

future developments in Portuguese Africa. He said the way chosen by Portugal's new rulers was based on the experience of Britein, France, Holland and other countries io dissolving their former empires. "Wo have to accept these experiences in our own docolooization", ha

Asked bow South Africa and Rhodesia would react to Portuguese territories being run by blacks, Dr Soares said: "This is a problem concerning only those countries. But I think that South Africa should not he afraid of any interference from our side as our policy toward other nations will be based on mutual respect and non-interference in other countries' internal

"If I persocally do not agree with the racist policy of South Africa, it does not mean I do not respect them. We will con-

not respect them. We will continue our relationship of good noighbourliness." Portugal would try to continue good relations with all its old friends, including Spain.

Ha said new links would bave to be forged, possibly with British mentorship, with communist countries, the Areb world and the nations of Africa. He predicted problems with He predicted problems with Chile where, be said, relations might suffer because of the treatment of political prisoners beld by the right-wing junta.

The European Economic Community was now opening its doors to Portugal, be said, and

he expected a treaty of associathe Liberation of Angola, was "a tion to emerge fairly soon.
great leader and a poet" and Mr Lourence Marques, May 23.—
Samora Machel, head of General Basto Machado com-

investigator on mission to Lisbon forces io Mozambique, has been

Wiriyamu

From Our Correspondent Madrid, May 23

A membar of the United Mations commission investigating alleged massacres in Mozambique flew from Madrid torial Coordination, was meeting African strikers, whito residents and troops to discuss the future of the territory.

General Machado was replaced by Genoral Orlando Barbosa, who arrived quictly from Lisbon

Mozambique flew from Madrid to Lisbon today for informal contacts with the Portuguese authorities.

Mr Atla Grahl-Madsen, of Norway, the Wost European regional representative on the commission, is understood to have made the trip in his personal capacity in order to olicit sonal capacity in order to olicit the cooperation of the Bortu-guesa Govarnment. He was ex-pected to coofer in Lisbon with Dr Mario Soares, the Foreign Minister, before rejoining the commission this weekend in

might be a former opponeot of Dr Caetano, Dr Henrique Soares de Melo, left for Angola today, aftar a three-day visit, without baving settled any of the outstanding labour or political lasues. He held a apecial press conference before his departure for Lnanda to make it clear that ho had oever said Mozamhique would here a black government within a year. Ho believed that Mozambique would have a black Nome.
Mr Shailondra Kumar Upadhyaya, of Nenal, the chairman of the commission, did not mention Mr Grahl-Madsen's Lishon trip MI Grahl-Madsen's Lishon trip during a press conference in Madrid today. Ha did say that the commission had sent a telegram to the Portuguese authorities oo April 30 and bad not yet received an official reply. It was pointed but to bim that the provisional Covernment of Portuguese. visional Government of Portugal had not been formed on April

armed forces wanted neace, they war against Frelimo until agreement bad been reached on a ceasefire, he said.

This statement appeared to have been made to reassure He said the commission had no immediate plans to make an official visit ro Lisbon, but be hoped eventually to question Portuguese Army officers and troops who night bave witnessed the alleged atroclries.

The commission whold con-South Africa, observers said. However, be went farther wheo be added: "Rhodesia peed bave no fears about its security posi-

The commission would continue its sessions on Monday in Rome, where it was boped to speak to more witnesses. Ho also said that authorities of the Roman Catbolic Church, possibly including Mgr Casaroli, the Vatican's Secretary for Public Affairs, would be asked about evidence furnished by Catholic missionaries.

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Mr Upadhyay said the commissioo would go from Romo to Dar es Salaam, Lusaka end other places in Africa. He said that, after interrogating eight witnesses in London and 13 in Madrid, "all members of the commission think they have a clear concept of the location of Wiriyamu, where missionaries claimed that one of the incidents took place".

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Mr Upadhyay said: "On July 10, 1973, the world community was once again shocked by the violence resulting from colonial oppression. On that date The Times of London published on its front page on article by the Rev. Adrian Hastings reporting two series at massacres perpetrated series af massacres perpetrated by Portuguese troops against the African population in Mozambique."

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Alhough some of the newspaper reports mentioged the alleged participation pf Rhodeslan troops in airocities committed in Morambique, the commission would probably not go to Rhodesia. He said that the commission had learnt the whereabouts of one survivor of s Mozambique incident, a boy identified in a Sunday Times identified in a Sunday Times report simply as Antonio, and his evideoce would be sought.
The United Nations Geogral

ledged by Africans as enlight-ened for his time. Nearly 30 years of close association with them convinced him of their Assembly passed a resolution potential ability and he commission of buted greatly to spreading their inquiry on December 12, 1973. education.

A Governor remembered : Sir Frederick Guggisberg (1869-1930) is being honoured as an enlightened eplenial administrator by this statue, commissloped from Saka Acquaye, the Chanalan artist, to stand outside Korle Bu Hospital io Accra.

Sir Prederick, who was serv ing with the Royal Engineers, was appointed Director of Surveys in the Gold Coast (now Ghana) in 1905, In 1910 he moved to a similar post in Southern Nigeria. Three years later he became Surveyor General for all Nigeria.

In 1919 he became Governor of the Gold Coast, and in 1928 he was appointed Governor of British Guiana.

#### Beirut accusation of British prejudice

Beirut, May 23

Britain is becoming fragrantly Beitut, May 23

Britain's reputation among the Arabs for even-bandedness in the Middle East crisis, which wen it exemptian from the Arab oil embargo, is being seriously questionad. Lebanon, the least doctrinaire Arab country, has accused the Labour Government of "flagrant prejudice," in Israel's favour and has hinted that it might call for sanctions by Arab pil states.

This follows Mr Wilson's message of condplence to Israel after the Mailet raid, Lebanon's government-run National News Agency reproduced the message in full, declaring that the Prime Minister had "gopa because there was no equally strong expression of regret over the Israel Prime Minister upset the Arabs, all the more upset the Israel reprisal against. Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon Twice as many civilian casualties were caused in the Israel air strikes.

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to refugee mourners at Nabasen
refugee camp, which was half
destroyed in Israel air strikes
last Thursday, Mr Abu Lutof, a,
Patsh leader, called for an Arab
reappraisal of Britain's role.
The whole matter has served
to revive Arab fears that under a Labour Government, with its tendancy to support Israel, Britain's relations with the Arabs

Britain's relations with the Arabs would detariorate.

The Lobanese agency groted a Lebanese - Foreign - Ministry spokesman as saying: "When Israel staged its massive air reprisal against Palestinian refugee camps and border villages in Lebanon, the British Foreign Office meroly condemned all acts of violence. The difference was clear between the position the British Prime Minister had taken on the two events.

Britain is becoming flagrantly prejudiced in favour of Israel,

favour.
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It is significant that the question of Britain's oil supplies from the Arab world should be raised at this point. Arab pill ministers are true to meet in Calro on Juno 1, and it is certain that the attitudes of various governments in relation to the Arab cause will again be raised. Lebanon is not an oil producer, but the Maalet raid and the lessons to be drawn from it will be one of the issues the ministers will tackle. Furthermore, the Arab states are aware of the fact that, with e sottlement on the Egyptian and porhaps the Syrian froms, the one issue to be resolved will be that of the Palestinians and that the political and military batileground will be Lebanon.

Kissinger optimism on Golan peace

Damascus, May 23.—Dr F Kissinger, the American S tary of State, said today t **no agreement** 20. disengage and Syrian forces was comon his current peace miss would certainly be achiev the near future.

He said great progres been made duringhis three of shuttle diplomacy be Damascus and Jerusalem. Speaking at a banquet he and his wife, Nancy, ga Syrian Ministera involved disengagement talks, Dr ger said: "It is my jud that we have made great print this negociation, and for some reason we canno plete agreement on this twill certainly accomplish tho future. . . . We will co to persevere over the ne

days." Senior American travelling with Dr Ki have said he waets to t in Washington by Sunda; They said he would kno his talks with Syriao today whether there reasonable chance of the and Syrians reaching egr Eric Marsden writes Jerusalem: A last-mious within the Israel Labou today cast doubt on Mr. Rabin's chances of for government in time to andeadline set by Presiden tomorrow, Its cause is a over who should take Defonce Minister in place. Moshe Dayan, who expected to be in the

Mr Shimon Peres, Mr colleague in the Raft the party, be asked M for the portfolio but claim has been made Deputy Prime Minister, M Allon, of the Ahdut faction.

#### Lusaka meetings aim at united liberation front

From Our Correspondent
Lusaka, May 23

A series of meetings is being held in the Zamblan capital of Lusaka aimed at forming a united front among liberation movements from Portugal's Africao territories.

Three heads of states bordering the Portuguese territories

On Saturday President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire is due here and there is speculation that he will be accompanied by at least one of the Ango-Ian liberation movement leaders, if not two. The one most likely to come with him is thought to he Mr Holden Roberto, head of the Angolan movement, NPLA.

dismissed, it was announced

here today. The move was made while Dr Aotonio de Almeida

Santos, Minister for Interterri-

on Tuesday and flew directly to Nampula, the military bead-quarters of the armod forces

Dr Santos, who hinted that the new Governor of Mozambiquo might be a former opponeor of

Mozambique would have a black

government oventually, but ho was unable to say when this

tion." He said be was not awaro of any instructions from Lisbon

or any instructions from Lisbon withdrawing permission for Rhodesian troops to enter Mozambique in pursuit of guerrillas. — Agenca France Presse and UP!.

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the Portuguese

would be.

Although

Minister, have been flown back to Lisbon from their oxile in Medeira.

They bad been seot there with President Tomás and Dr Caetano, the former Prime Minister, by the Junia of National Salvation immediately after the military takes ver of April 25. The former President and Prime Minister were subsequently allowed to leave Madeira for exile in Bracil.

Government sources indicated that the return was not on the initiative of Portugal's previous final Government. However, the Junia of National Salvation, leaded by General Spinola, who is also President of the Republic, exits as a nowerful senerate of Movemant) and they went their field of the members in the Angolan movement, NFLA.

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#### Film director sent to labour camp

Moscow, May 23 .- A Soviet film director has been senranced to six years in a labour camp for homosexuality and incitement to sulcide, reliable sources said here today.

The sources said the director, Sergei Paradzhanov, aged 50, was arrested in Riev, in Documher, and was tried recently in the city. A charge against him of speculation in foreign currency was apparently dropped;

Market-place fritters poison 200 Congolese

Brazzaville, May 23.-Nearly 200 Congolese, mainly women and children, who were taken to bospital with food poisoning wept home last night after receiving treatment. They are believed to have eaten fritters sold in a market. Agence France Presse.

#### Jewish physicist for tria on 'traffic offence'

By Our Diplomatic Staff
Dr Victor Polsky, a Moscow
physicist, has been charged with
a driving offence and may face
a somence of up to three years
in a Soviet prison. The significance of the case, according to
Jowish sources in London is
that this will be the first
occasion on which the Soviet
authorities have tried a Jewish
activist in Moscow itself.
Dr Polsky who applied with
his family for exit visas to
Israel in 1970, was dismissed
from his post as director of an
K-riv laboratory for the Ministry
of. Electrical Regineering Industry in 1971. His wife lost
ber job as: a radio engineer in
the year before.

It is thought that the Soviet
suthorities have hesitated to
hold trials of Jews seeking exit
visas in Moscow, as opposed to
other cities, because of the
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ing there. In this p
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The doctor, who atathe Moscow Jews v
Senator Edward Kencently, has been detait
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pother. By Our Diplomatic Staff

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#### Visit to dissenter refuse

#### Moscow, May 23.—The Mrs Bukovsky sair mother of Mr Vladimir Bukov illegat under Soviet la Court of Appeal

mother of Mr Vladimir Bukov illegal under Soviet lat sky, the imprisoned Russian cel two such visits succel two such visits succellated and visits succellated a

# Treaty of Rome introduces new commercial torts into English law prevent competition, contrary to Community hetween one member. Some claim to copyright. Vertex state and another. As his Lordship had listened to the arguments to had been greatly impressed with the impact which impact which the Treaty would have on our law, Io any transaction which contained a European element we of the community hetween one member. State and another. One remedy for a person injured they raised points which, if containing the raised points which if containing the commission to investigate. If the Commission to investigate. If the Commission to investigate. If the Commission to investigate in infinite they claimed, they claimed, they could not be allowed to enforce the offender to stop and impose they were infringing pose a fine. The offender could, and they claim to copyright. Vertex should have leave to amend; for they raised points which if containing the raised points which is they raised points which if they raised points which is they raised points which if they raised points

Apriler en des Gar SA v Falks Estate Lord Denning, Master of

headed by General Spinola, who is also President of the Republic,

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entity from the Government, for

whose appointment it was responsible.

Law Report May 23 1974

Rolls, Lord Justice Stamp and Lord Pratice Roskill Lindaments delivered May 22] The Court of Appeal, considering for the lirst time the effect of the Treaty of Roma as part of Unglish law, dismissed an interlectory appeal by French plainties, Amplication des Gaz SA, from an order of Mr Justice Whitford that Linglish defendants, Falks Verites tid, of London, be at liferty to amend their defence and counterclaim to a copyright action for G12 begun before the United Linglom became a member of the London Economic Community.

The effect of the amendments, the effect of the Gaz had believed their dominant position which the common market and entered into agreements and concurred musicus positions incompatible with the common murket contrary to articles 8 and 16 of the Treaty of Rome made

murbet", comrary to articles 85 and 56 of the law of the United Kingdom by the European Communities Act, 1972. ties Act, 1972.

Article 85 provides: "1. The foilowing shall be prohibited as incommatible with the common market: all agreements between indertakings, decisions by associations of undertakings and concerted practices which may affect trado between Member States and which have as their object or effect the prevention, restriction or distartion of competition within the common market.... 2. Acy agreements or decisions probibled pursuant to this Article shall be automatically void."

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matically void."

By criticle 86 "Any abuse by one or more undertakings of a dominant position within the common market or in a substantial part of it shall be prohibited as incompatible with the common market in so far as it may affect trade between Member States."

Air Vivian Price, QC, and Mr IV. Pruce Scalding for Gaz: Mr F. P. Neill. QC, and Mr Raph Lunzer for Veritas.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the case came about be cause of a tin can cootsining hutane as in liquid form. To use it you litted it into a holder, pierced the ton, and lit the flame.

The first of its shape had been made by Guz, which claimed a copyright in the drawing of it made by a Freach chiese years ago. French chineo years ago.

a record chieo years ago.

Virtus, monufacturers of camping equipment, had for some years made, under licence from Gaz, tin cars containing fiquetied gas; but the licence did not enable Veritas to make cans of the same shape as the Gas dies.

ne Gaz uns.

Io 1970 Veritas decided to make this of the same shape as the Gaz tirs, the only difference heing that Gaz tirs were blue and the Veritas tirs occasio. Veritas sold many Veritas tirs and paid royalties on them to Gaz.

Later, however, Gaz took excep-tion to the vooture. They had loog

ago granted a concession to another English company, PTC-Langdon Ltd. by which Langdon were given the exclosive right to make and sell Gaz products, including the blue tins. In the United Kingdom, The Veritas tins cut directly into their exclusive market because they could be used in the Gaz holders. Gaz and Langdon took steps to stoo the competition in a case which had not yet been tried. They also began an action in 1972 egainst Veritas, claiming that Veritas had infringed the copyright in the drawing of the Gaz tin. They claimed that all the orange tips belonged to them, and demanded delivery up, damages for conversion of those soid, and an injuoction. Veritas put in a defence denying the copyright, and alleging that Gaz had accepted revalties on the orange tips and had acquiresed in their oroduction or were estopped from the European Communities.

Their orodaction or were estopped frem complaining.
Then the European Communities Act was passed, giving the Treaty of Rome legal effect in the United Kingduon from January 1, 1973. Verifas thought there were provisions in the Treaty which gave them additional defences and sought to amend their defence and counterclaim by alleging. First, that Gazlin association with Langdon, had abused their dominant position, contrary to article 86. by bringing pressure to bear on wholesalers to handle Gaz products only. Verifas also said that Gaz and Langdon bad joined in a concerted practice, contrary to article 85, to prevent or trary to article 85, to prevent or restrict "competition within the common market".

Common warket ".

Goz opposed the amendments.

Mr Justice Whitford allowed them
to be mada. Gaz appealed.

The first point taken for Gaz
was that the claim for lotringement of copyright arose before we
island the Community that the pointed the Community; that the rights of the parties should he decided according to the law as it stood when the writ was issued in 1972 and not as altered by the Treaty; and that the Treaty should on be annited restrospectively to

oot be applied restrospectively to allect the rights of the parties in affect the rights of the parties in actions begun before that date. His Lordship accepted that proposition in general; but Gaz also claimed an injunction to prevent Veritas in the future from making or selling Veritas tins. If an injunction were granted it would operate from the date of trial onwards, and the matter would have to be decided according to the law as it stood at the date of have to be decided according to the law as it stood at the date of the trial. Gaz recognized that hut urged that any amendment should await the trial and not be allowed

Much was to be said for that, if Much was to be said for that, If
the amendments were allowed they
would give rise to delay and expense, with much discovery on the
issues of "abose of dominant
position" and "coperted practice". The trial would last much
longer.

But so long as Gaz insisted on the claim for an injunction the amendments could not be refused, amendments could not be reduced, provided they raised points which were fairly arguable. After all, if they were abusing their dominant position and acting in concert to

As his Lordship had listened to the arguments to had been greatly impressed with the impact which the Treaty would have on our law, Io any transaction which contained e Buropean element we must look to the Treaty, for it was part of our law, equal in force to any statute, It must be applied by our courts. In the present case the court had to consider important points of substantive law.

Articles 85 and 86 introdoced two important new principles into the law of England. Article 85 forbade any concerted practice which unduly restricted competition within the Community. Article 86 forbade any abuse of 3 "dominant position within the common market or a substantial part of it". Article 87 dealt with procedures enabling the Council at Brussels to make regulations or directives for enforcing articles 85 and 86; and the Council had made a regulation—regulation 17—which sald that "if the Commission at Brussels finds that article 85 or 86 is being infringed, it can take steps to put an end to the infringement".

Those provisions were to a style · Articles 85 and 86 introdoced

Those provisions were to a style very different from an English statute. They stated general priodiples and laid down broad policles but they did not go into detail. So much was left unsaid that a great deal had to be filled in by the courts. The Common Market Law Roports contained case after case referred to the Europeeo Court to find out the meaning and effect of those articles. The court interpreted them according to the wording and spirit of the Treaty". Every one of those cases was of importance to commercial was of importance to commercial men. That court was moulding the law of Europe imo a single whole

which every member state must The present case was an illustra-tion. Gaz relied on copyright. That was a pioce of industrial and com-mercial property like patents, trade marks and trade names. Such property, by its very nature, created a monopoly. It enabled the owner to prevent or restrict competition. It gave him a dominant position. It gave him a dominant position. Yet there was nothing to the Iresty dealing with it save that article 36 contemplated that member states could make and apply laws for "the protection of industrial end commercial property" provided that they did not "constitute a means of arbitrary discrimination or a disguised restriction on trade between Member States".

The European Court had inter-preted articles 36, 85 end 86 by saving that in the ordinary way pational courts could protect and enforce patents, trade marks, copyright and trade names by their own laws with their own remedies as they had always done; but that national courts should not enforce such rights in any case where such enforcement would impede the free movement of goods within the

One remedy for a person injured by infringements of articles 85 and 85 was to request the Commission to investigate. If the Commission found an infringement it could order the offender to stop and impose a fine. The offender could, appeal to the European Court, but it might take months, even years. So there was much to be said for So there was much to be said for

So there was much to be said for a remedy given in the national courts. Belgische Radio en Televisie and NV Fondor in the European Court (The Times, February 4 and April 1) showed that articles 83 and 86 created rights in private citizens which they could enforce is the national courts and which the national courts were bound to uphold; and it was held that it was for the national courts to assess the facts 10 see whether they amounted to an infringement.

Articles 53 and 86 were part of Articles SJ and 86 were part of our law. They created ocw torts named "indue restriction of com-

named "Indue restriction of competition within the Common Market" and "abuse of dominant
position with the Common Market". Any infringement of those
articles could be dealt with by our
English courts. It was for them
to find the facts, apply the law, and
use the remedies which we bad
artillable. It was for the English courts to inquire whether the conduct of Gaz was an infringement of articles 85

gramed an injunction. The appeal should be dismissed. should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE STAMP, with whose Jodgment Lord Justice Roskill entirely agreed, said that if the facts alloged in the amendments to the defence were to be proved and if it were shown that the effect of the Treaty was, on those facts to inhibit the court from graphing the injunction claimed by Gar, the amendments would clearly afford a good defance. And in determining whether the amendments ought or bught not to be allowed, his Lordship could see no good reason for departing from

no good reason for departing from the usual practice of our courts. Since, by the effect of section 2 of the 1972 Act, "au such rights; powers, liabilities, obligations and restrictions created oc arising by or under the Treaty of Rome are now recognized and available in law", a defence based oo the provisions of the Treaty was a defence in English law, and the question whether in the circumstances of any perticular case it ought to be allowed to be raised by amendment allowed to be raised by amendment fell as precisely within its terms as if they were contained in an enact-ment of the United Kingdom Parlia-

ment. The jodge so emprosched the question and he was right.

It had been submitted that it would be wrong to allowen amendment to the defence based on legislation subsequent to the date of the issue of the wris. But it was abundently clear that the granted fell to be determined by reference to the circumstances and the state of the law at the date when it had to be determined and not at the dete of the Issue of the wris. It was not shown that the application to amend was other than boos lide of was frivolous or vexitious; and on the principle that, as far as possible all matters of controversy between the parties might, in the words of section 43 of the Judicuture Act. 1925, "be completely and finally determined, and, all multiplicity of legal proceedings concerning any of those matters avoided "the defendant ought to be allowed to plead the case set out in the amendments.

It would be wrong on an interlocutory application to express any view as to the likely outcome of the issue raised by the amendments, but, as the Master of the Rolls had indicated, if would be a miscarriage of justice if the amendments were prot allowed and an injunction were granted which, if the true facts but been known; it would have been wrong to grant. The appeal should he dismissed.

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### Motorist's fear of the needle

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Stophensoo and Mr Justice Willis

Justico, Lord Justice Stophenson and Mr Justice Willis

A motorist who claimed to be afraid of hypodermic needles had his conviction for failing to provide a laboratory test specimen quashed because the jury were not allowed to decide whether be had a reasonable excuse for his failure. The Court of Appeal, in e reserved judgment, allowed an appeal by Anthony Raymond Harding, aged 21, railway foreman, from conviction at Cardiif Crown Court (Mr Recorder Oliver) of failing "without reasonable excuse" to provide the apecimen, contrary to section 9 (31 of the Road Traffic Act, 1972.

Mr Hogh V, Williams for the appellant; Mr Williams for the appellant; Mr Williams for the appellant; Mr William Gaskell for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON said that the appellant refused to provide a blood specimen, tried but failed to provide a second urine specimen and again refused blood. His evidence was that he had fainted at school when being vaccinated at 14 and bad beeo efraid of needles ever since. He had refused injections and stitches when be put his arm through a window and at the dentist. His mother said that he was terrified of needles. The recorder ruled that his excuse was incapsible of heing reasonable and directed the jury to convict.

in Lennard had been considered as possibly too restrictive or rigid if construed too strictly. They pro-sided a good working rule for disbinguishing between reasonsblo excuses and those which were not Mr Williams accepted the Len-nurd test and submitted that the defence evidence established that the appellant was mentally unablo to furnish a blood specimen and/or its provision would have entailed

a substantial risk to bis health.

The evidence came nowhere near establishing any risk to bealth, but the jury might have interred that the jury might have interred that he was truly incapacitated by fear from submitting to the insertion of the needle. It might have been difficult, If not impossible, for a jury to have accepted, in the absence of medical evidence, that because he shared the common experience of adolescents in fainting perience of adolescents in fainting at injections or the thought of them fals grown man genutually suffered from an luvincible repugnance to any use of the needle, and that he

The test in R v Lennard ([1973], could not overcome that irrational The test in R v Lennard ([1973] could not overcome that irranonal I VLR 483, 487) was "No excuse fear bowever hard be tried. But that was what the jury were asked to believe. The reloctant conclusion was that the recorder was wroug to depy them the opportunity of saying whether they be lieved it or oot. The verdict could not stand.

The decision did not mean that the recorder was wrong to fear bowever hard be tried. But that was what the jury were asked that was what the jury w

Solicitors: Timiuss, Sainer & Webb; Ashurst, Morris, Crisp

The decision did not mean that the sppellant had a reasonable excuse or that other motorists could hope to avoid conviction by simply claiming fear of the oeedle, without any medical evidence as so their mental state. The law expected responsible adults to overcome their fears, whethar rational or irrational, in order to comply with it. As Lord Parker said in Rowland v Thorpe ([1970] RTR 406, 412). "the mental condition or the physical injuries must be of a very extreme character to constithe physical injurias must be of a very extreme character to constitute a reasonable excuse": that applied to a mental condition alleged to result from a oerrous, constitution or a traumatic experience to the past.

No fear short of a phobia recognized by medical science to be as strong and inhibiting as, for instance, claustrophobia could be allowed to excuse failure to provide a laboratory test specimen, and in

a laboratory test specimen, and in most if not all cases where the fear of providing it was claimed to be be supported by medical evidence

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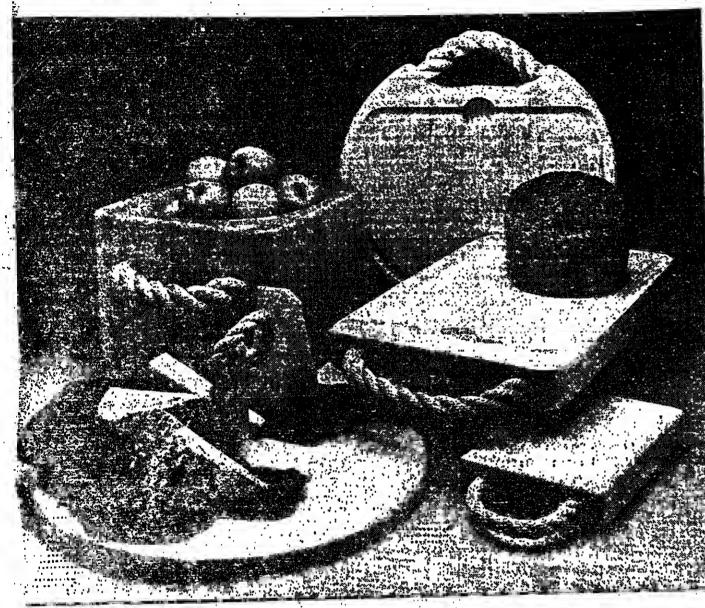
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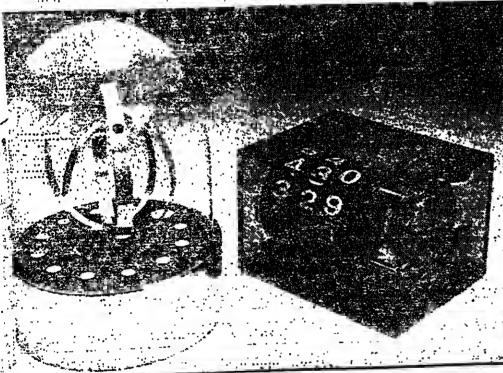
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# Shopping around







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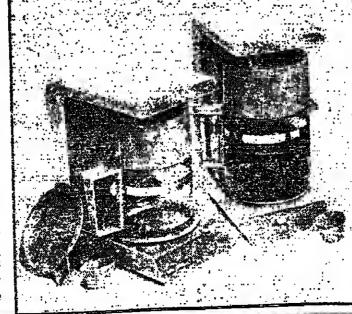
ba atudied from above to give the time clearly The prica is £28. Both clocks are in an original range from Christon Associates—there is ona called La Posh which looks like a giant rectangula wrist watch supported on a steel bracelet (£25). Stockists and lilustrated leaflets from Christon Associates, 9/12 Brandon Road, London N.7.

weeks to deliver, are of good deep pila and quality, in rich colours (turquoise, mimose Oxford blue, white, orange, and cerise). The embroidery is white and the name or message limited to 16 letters. Romantics, they say, order " My Darling " towels. but there are others who ask for Chauvinist pig ". Businesse are buying the hand towels as promotional gifts, at discount for quantity. Personal huyer are having fun thinking up 1

Chorley, Lancashire.

A I recently chose as a wedding present the named towels about which I bave written before They have the ends embroidered, to order, with names or even with brief messages. The firm now has a printed colour leaflet giving prices (hand towels are £1.90, bath towels £3.40; and giant beach towels are: £5.20—plus 30p postage). The towels take about three

Noulinex stockists now—and



I still rave about Club pans, which I have been using for a year. They are of cast aluminium, coated with tough enamel. The ringed bases of these pans spread the beat and they are really designed for virtually waterless cook ery. They are as good as the old-fashioned cast-iron pans, but with the advantage of being light and easy to use.

Turn off the beat before cooking is finished, and see how long the pan keeps the food hot. They are also available with a Tefloo coating.

Club pans cost a bit more than ordinary ones but they are worth it. For example, a 13pt saucepan, with lid, is about £4.95. A generous-sized cbicken fryer (illustrated, back left of picture) is about £9.35. Toe big roasting pan, with bigh lid, is about £11.95.

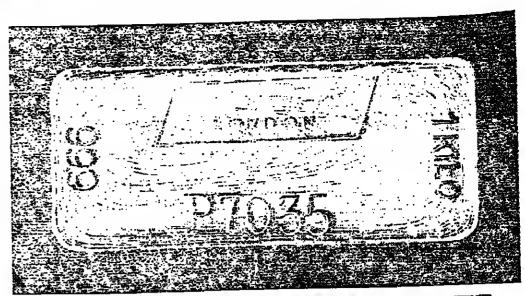
Get leaflets, stockists and details from Premier Services, 11 Central Hill, London SE19 1BG. The new milk pan, which is only in the Tellon-lined finish, bas lips on both sides for left or right-handed pouring.

• Premier is also importing a superb range of pale, pine woodware from Finland; expensive, but beautiful. The blocks of wood are laminated. which makes for strength and elegance.
In the front of the photo-

graph, on the left, is a circular cheese board with a looped rope on its centre, upright handle (at about £3.20, give or take a few nence and according to where you shop for it) ; next to it are a couple of plain boards, a little one for chopping (£1.60) and a bigger one for carving, chopping or serving (about £4.30) A rounded board, back row right, is good for bread, joints, cold meats, cheeses. serving, chopping or any-

The salad bowl is a olock of wood 7in high by 9in square, bollowed out in the middle. The price is about £19.90. Details of stockists from Premier Services of the above address.

Photographs to Trevor Sutton



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Moulinez may not have made it first, but Moulinex does make it relatively cheaply. The firm has often been described as the Ford of the domestic eppliance business, and the comparison is intended to be flattering. The latest piece from Moulinex is an electrical filter for coffee. The six-cup model is £9.95 and the 12-cup is £11.95 (VAT included). The insulated jug bandle, filter holder, jug lid and measure are all in coffee-coloured plastic, and the jug is finished with a striniess steel trim. In most there are plenty of those. For stockists and a colour leaflet showing the whole Moulinex range, write to the firm at Station Approach, Coulsdon North,

Coulsdon, Surrey.

#### Bannerman puts out Jacklin then loses to Fernandez

By Lewine Mair

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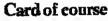
After fulfilling the prediction he made on Wednesday night—that he would defeat Tony Jacklin—Harry Bamerman lost by three strokes to Vicente Fernandez, of Argentina, in the third round of the Piccadilly medal match-play golf tournament at Finham Park, Coyentry, yesterday afternoon. "I couldn't", said Banderman, whose Joog game had been under control all morning, "keep the ball in play all morning. " keep the ball in play off the tee".

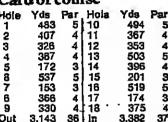
On the subject of his five-stroke un me subject of his live-stroke victory over Jacklin, Bannerman explained that he had felt inspired; "I always feel this way when I am playing someone better than myself." Right from the start Jacklin had been in trouble on the greens, the reason, in Bannerman's coming hairs what I always and the start Jacklin's hairs who I always and the start Jacklin's hairs who I always and the start Jacklin's hairs and the start Jacklin's greens, the reason, in Same man's opinion, being that Jacklin's hands were not working together. After taking a five to Bannerman's four at the first. Jacklin lost the honour and oever to get it back.

and oever to get it back.

Three shots behind and with three to play, Jacklin swung uncharacteristically fast at his second down the 519-yard 16th. His hall finished in a tiny pocket amid the roots of a large tree—something which must have convinced him, finally, that this, simply, was not his day. The short 17th was halved in three, Bannerman getting it "up and down" from a tangle of wet rough down a bank at the back of the green. Bunkered, too, by the the green. Bunkered, too, by the side of the 18th green, Jacklin took four more to get down, his first attempt to escape from the trap being disturbed by the click of a camera nearby.

The shot which, in retrospect,





Beonerman felt had won him this memorable victory was the second he struck with a three-wood from the hank of a hunker on the 13th, the hall pulling up just short of the green. "Out of this world" was the phrase this cheerful character used to describe the hlow.

Bannerman's caddie vesterday was a diminutive 13-year-old schoolboy with a 24 handicap who had received permission from his mother, rather than his headmaster, to caddie for his hero. He foresaw no troubla whatever in shouldering the club for the second round and the clubs for the second round and if, after the Jackiin match, Bannerman had asked him to walk on water, he would, no doubt, have attempted that as well.

attempted that as well.

One of the more unexpected finishes of the day was that involving David Chillas and Peter Dawson. Chillas, who later confessed that he had more or less given up after going three behind on the 17th, pulled his drive down the 375 yard 18th. He knocked his second over trees in the general direction of the green and though unable to see for himself, soom realized, from the applanse, that he had holed out for an eagle two.

Under the unexpected pressure, Dawson missed from 18in for his four and the match, and the two

bawsoo missen from 18th for his four and the match, and the two men proceeded down the 19th. Both struck fine drives at this 463 yard par five hole and each caught the green in two, whereupon Dawson, putting second, holed for his winning eagle from 12ft,

winning eagle from 12ft.

John McTear, the lightly built Scot who played so well at Bournemouth last week, survived "a hard day's work". Against David Wren, in the afternoon, he fell two shots behind on the first hole, at which point he gave himself "a good shake" and thought only of playing the course, Level after 12 holes, McTear, who, on the advice of Maurice Bembridge, had heen getting his arms a little farther away from his body at the address, made hirdies on the 12th and 15th to draw two shots ahead.

Second round R. A. Shewer (Australia), 71., beat V. E. R. Baker (S. Africa), 74. ch., 71., beat D. Dunk (Beanchief), 74.



Harry Bannerman . . . memorable victory, then defeat.

Weaver (Coventry), 72, beer R. G. ingham (Checkheaton), 74.

D. J. Liewellyn (Olum), 70, beat P. Botler
(Golf Domes, 71.

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72. bear 5, 1. Levermore Handey Wood. D. W. AlcClelland (Haratbournet, 74, bent S. Gim (Anstralia), 74, at the 21st, P. M. P. Townsend (Fortnermock), 67, beat K. F. Dathon (St. Fierre, 7).
G. A. Cayelli (Pleasington), 71, beat K. F. Robson (Harrenden), 75.
B. Thompson (Belton Park), 74, beat C. O'Comper (Royal Dublin), 75.
F. Tosevint (Belton), 68, beat B, 1. Hunt (Harrenden), 75.
H. Bamperman (Murcar), 70, beat A, Jacklin (Potters Bar), 75.

O'Counce (Hazel Grove), 64, best R. D C Wen (5 Africa), 74. beas P. McGuiriness (Val de Lobo), 75. McTear (Cathkin Brust, 76. beas J. L. Hammond (Berkhamssod), 77.

#### Mrs Head could challenge for English title

Mrs Elizabeth Head moved into the reckoning at Sunningdale yesterday, wheo victory over Mrs Dinah Henson brought her to the semi-finals round of the English women's golf championship. As Miss Collis, she is remembered a few years back as a powerful litter whose short game was as yet uncoordinated.

A spell as a professional and marriage removed Mrs Head from the amateur scene, and only this year has she returned to county nealf. In the interval a short visit to the United States changed her whole attitude and she has come back seemingly more mature and with a well knit game. That is on the evidence of only one match, but if her nerve holds and she plays as well as yesterday she could well win the championship.

The same is already made an excellent start at county level.

Mrs Stant was involved in a distriction during her morning match against Miss Cehen. One up playing the 13th, she was conceded the hole by her opponent in the mistaken belief that she had incorrectly marked the ball. In fact, only in the professional game is anything laid

win the champlonship.

Well king is not quite the word for Mrs Hensoo, formerly Miss Oxley. Following her was like trying the lucky dlp, never quite knowing what was coming out next, though as we neared the bottom of the harrel the chances were that it would be a hook. She made a poor start and at the fifth Mrs Head played a shot which, early as it was in the round, was a match winner.

From the second honker on the right of the fifth fairway, she hit a six frou on to the green and holed a giant putt to win a hole she

marked the ball. In fact, only in the professional game is anything laid down about the manner in which the hall shall be marked.

Miss Le Feovre is in danger of being underwritten. She was in sparking form again in the moroing and won by four and three in the afternoon, the furthest she has yet been taken this week.

Fourth round

Miss A. RVIN (Royal Lytham & St Annear)

Miss A. Porter (Long Athion) beat Miss (Carletter). a six frou on to the ercen and holed a giant putt to win a hole she lonked likely to lose, 5he went further ahead wheo her opponent hit a perfect shot with the wrong club which finished ever the back of the eighth. Mrs Hensou has done as well as she could reasonably expect in coming so suddenly hack to suithe game, but, against anyone prepared to stand up to her, her present lack of confidence was babound to tell.

Mrs Head meets Miss Irvin, whose competitive spirit got her through,

Mrs Head meets Miss Irvin, whose competitive spirit got her through, although she was hardly at her best. After losing the first to Miss Porter, she woo like next five and then Miss Porter, after hravely turning the seventh into a half, won the next four io 3, 3, 5, 3. Miss Irvin reasserted herself by winning the long 14th and outhitting her opponent with two shots to the 17th, that it was not an codirely convincion display against one whose chief weepoo now, is her resolution.

The other semi-final will oppose Jill Thornhill to Carol Le Feuvre.

Mrs Thornhill had a hard day hut came out of it well. It was only at the 16th and 17th that she turned

Miss IRVIN beat Miss Porter, Miss Though the peats Miss Pout Miss Though the peats Miss Though

the tables on Mrs Barber, who had been up most of the way.

In the fifth round, after winning the first two holes in four and nearly holing her tee shot to the fourth, she was brought back to all square by Mrs Stant. Mrs Thornhill Stilehed etternily winning these square by Mrs Stant. Mrs Thornhill finished strongly, winning three holes in a row from the 14th, the two long ones in hirdies. Children, garden, and sink have stood between her and total dedication to the game, but, with so much golog on in and around Surrey, of which she is champion, she has this year her hest chance of a comeback and has already made an excellent start at countyleys!

Fourth round

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beat Mix A. Uzielli (Berka), 3 and 2.

Mixe R. Porter (Long Ashton) beat Mix C.

Mackintosh (Roys) Winchestert, 2 holes.

Mrs E. Head (Leasherhead) beat Miss
J. LEE-SMITH (Gosforth), 2 and 1.

Mrs D. Henson (West Bylleet) beat Mix P.

Carrick (Honstanton), 1 bole.

Mrs J. Thornhill (Walton Heath) beat Mix P.

S. Barber (Thorpe Hallt, 2 holes.

Mrs A. STANT (Bean Desert) beat Mixs J.

Cohen (Muswell Hill), 2 and 1.

Mrs B. Barkh (Harsworth) beat Mrs L.

Davies (Guntrecombe), 4 & 3.

Mix C. IE FEUVRE (Royal Jersey) beat

Mrs S. Graviery (Mere), 4 and 3.

Fifth round
Mey IRVIN bear Mey Porter, 2 and 1.
Als Head bear Mey Heason, 4 and 2.
Mey Houndall bear Mey STANT, 3 and 2.
Mey LE FEUVRE bear Mey Bargh, 5 and

Hola Yds Par | Hole Yds Par

#### Scottish girls' champion beats international

Maureen Walker, the current Scortish girls' champion and leader of the qualifiers, reached the third round of the Scottish women's golf championship yesterday, at Nairn, with a win against Ina Walker.

In the first round Miss Maureen Walker, one down after three holes, recovered from her had start and won four holes ont of five after the seventh for a four and three triumph over June Crawford. Ina Walker, who played for Britain last season, turned five up on Anne Burden in the first round and although she lost the next two holes she won the 13th and 14th, the second with a birdle, for a five and lour victory.

Suranne Cadden also was a com-fortable winer to the first round and lost only one hole in beating Nancy Duncan by five and four. Sandra Needham, a British inter-national and Curits cup prospect, had the most comfortable win in the first round and was level par for the 10 holes she needed to heat Jean Alexander by mine and eight.

FIRST ROUND : Miss M. Walker best AUS

#### Sewell heads entry

A record entry of 265 golfers had the most comfortable win in the first round and was level par for the 10 holes she needed to heat Jean Alexander by nine and eight.

A new name will have to go on the trophy since the only former winners competing, Marlgold Speir

A record entry of 205 golfers and econd the defending champion. Headed by the defending champion. Hoog Sewell (Ferndown) will compete in the £5,000 MacGregor Professionals: Championship at Calcot Park, Reading, from May winners competing, Marlgold Speir

Mrs Briggs goes into last eight at Ashburnham

Audrey Briggs, the holder, moved into the fourth round of the Welsh women's golf champiooship io wind and rain at Ashhuroham yesterday, but Joan John, who reached the final last year, was eliminated. Mrs Briggs beat Ann Humphreys 5 and 4 and when the game finished was two over par. She will play Ano Johnson, who won the title in 1966, in the next round.

THIRD ROUND: Mry L. Return best Mry 8, Hamphrey 5, and 4; Mry 8, Hamphrey 5, and 4; Mry 8, Johnson best Mry 8, Hewards, p. and 5; Mry 8, Treburne best Mis L. J. John, 3 and 2; Mrs 7, Perturn best Mis L. Hughes, 4 and 3; Mry 8, Harmed Battle, S. and 3; Mry 9, Light best Mry 6, Harmed Child, But Mry 8, Harmed Child, But Mry 8, Greys, Childh but Mry 8, 5, Geblurg, 4 and 3; Mry 2, Light best Mry 8, Mry 18, Light best Mry 8, Mry 18, Light best Mry 8, 5, Geblurg, 4 and 3; Mry 2, Light But Mry 8, 5, Geblurg, 4 and 3; Mry 2, Light But Mry 8, 5, Geblurg, 4 and 3; Mry 2, Roberts, 3 and 2, Mry 18, Mry FOURTE ROUNO: Mrs Brazs beat Mrs Johnson. J. hole: Mrs Perkins beat Mrs Trhame. 3 and 2; Mrs Lyall beat Mrs Light, at 19th: Mass Thomas beat Mrs Gaym. Gilffith, 5 and 4.

#### Easy win for Miss McKenna

Mary McKenna, a Cortis Cup player and twice winner of the title, had an easy first round win in the had an easy first round win in the Irish women's golf championship at Lahinch, co Clare, yesterday. She beat Mrs Lynch (Mallow) hy 8 and 7. Another former winner, Elaioe Bradshaw (Clotharf), also got through m the second round.

FIRST ROUND: Miss M. McKenna beat Mrs B. Loch V. Miss M. McKenna beat Mrs J. B. Loch V. Miss M. McKenna beat Mrs J. B. Loch V. Miss C. Shiper L. Miss C. Shiper J. Miss C. Shiper L. Miss C. Shiper J. Miss C. Shiper J. Miss C. Shiper Mrs J. Miss C. Shiper J. Miss C. Miss C. Miss C. Miss J. Miss C. Miss C. Miss C. Miss J. Miss J

Rugby Union

#### **Ickx** may drive museum piece in Monaco GP

From John Blundsden
Monte Carlo, May 23
Nikl Landa, who brought Ferrari

Motor racing

their first motor racing grand prix victory for two years when he won in Spain last month, has set the pace here today in the first of three qualifying practice periods which will decide the starting grid for the Monaco Grand Prix on

His was the first car out on the track this afternoon, and Lauda, lying second to Emerson Fittipaldi in the world champiouship, was soon lapping noticably faster than anyone else. His best time of 1min 28.4sec (82.95 mph) is 0.3sec outside Fittipaldi's official lap record for the 2.94 miles street circuit, and 0.9sec shover than Jackie... Seewart's first practice time last Stewart's test practice time last year. But it was still a competitive time for a first practice here.

However, the talented Austrian later hiotted his copy-book by mis-indeing one of the tight corners behind the pits and damaging the right front corner of his car against a barrier. He will take over the Ferrari team's spare car to-

A stirring drive by Mike Hailwood gave him the second hest time with one or other of his back wheels Just a whisker clear of the McLaren, which, like the two dister cars riming under that Texaco Marlboro banner, is sporting a pair of vertical marker blades en the tips of the front wings. The idea is in give the drivers a more precise aiming point on a circuit where an inch or two of miscalcuit where an inch or two of miscalcuit lation on a corner can meao a lation on a corner can meao a corner A stirring drive by Mike Hail-

his 1973 cars out of retirement for Ronnie Peterson and Jacky Ickx, neither of whom has scored a world championship point in his three races with the latest John Player Specials, Peterson was fifth quickest today with his former spare car, and Ickx persevered with the latest model, hut also had one spare car, and ickx persevered with
the latest model, but also had ooe
of the reliable and successful earlier
cars as a back-up. This last car is
literally a museum piece, heing part
of Colin Chapman's personal collection, but it is highly probable
that it will be called upon to perform one more weekend'e duty
before being retired for good.
Only 25 of the 28 drivers here
will find a place on Sunday's startling grid, and so far Ickx is one of
the three slowest, the others being
Guy Edwards in his Embassy Lola,
and Jochen Maas, whose Surtees
hroke a drive shalt early in practice.

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Jean-Pierre Beltoise put in several laps with the latest BRM P 201 right od the limit to set the third fastest rime during the closing minutes of practice, but once again the most spectacular driving of all came from a young German, Hans 5tuck, who seemed to have his March 741 sideways most of the time, with one or other of his back wheels just a whisker clear of the barriers. Not the quickest way around Monaco, perhaps, but for sheer entertainment value it was in a class of its own.

# Coach pleased with the

# Lions' forward play

Cape Town, May 23.—A controlled game with a lot of constructive pack manoeuvres was the key to the British Lions' 33-6 victory over Boland yesterday, according to the touring party's coach, Sydney Millar. Mr Millar was pleased by the Lions' performance against Boland, which made up for the side's disappointingly narrow 23—16 win over South-West Africa last Saturday.

"This is a much better showing."

South African Rugby Board, is optimistic about the outcome of the series.

"Boland lost the game only because of their poor handling and many mistakes," he said. "Put the Lions ooder pressure and see how they react—they don't like it. There is hope for the Springboks. The Lions are not unbeatable," he added.

British Lions: A. R. Irvine;

attack." He also served notice that the Llons would be happy to take on any side that wanted to use spoiling tactics to the extent Boland did.

"If they want to spoil we can still play roghy," he said. "The fact is we beat Boland up forward where they tried to unsettle our pattern. We are not going to be worried by these tactics. We can adapt ourselves to any kind of plan.

a much better showing.

Iney seem to be improving by the day. But there a still a lot of hard work ahead. There are still some small things which need sharpening np," he said.

Mr Millar thought the team beat Boland because "the forwards, especially, played a controlled game with a lot of constructive manoeuvres in their plan of attack." He also served notice the the Llons would be beautiful to the law to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the long would be beautiful to the law to the

Alastair Hignell, last year's captain of the England Under-19 schoolboys roghy side, is included in the Under-23 pool of players for a training weekend at Lilleshall from July 20 to 24. The practice is in preparation for the match against Tonga at Twickenham on October 5.

There will be a warm-up match against a North of England representative side on September 24. The players chosen are:

worried by these tactics. We can adapt ourselves to any kind of plan, whether they play mine or even 10 man rugby."

The Lions, nudefeated after three matches of their 22-game Southern African tour, were heading for Port Elizabeth 10day, where they play Eastero Province on Saturday.

The first international agaiost South Africa is not until June 3 and despite yesterday's result, br Damie Craven, president of the

Racing

### Kingshott may not be quick enough Apprentices and all the control of the control to cope with Overtown

By Michael Phillips

Racing Correspondent Racing Correspondent
There will be two English challengers for the Prix dn Cadran, the French version of our Ascot Gold Cop, at Longchamp on Sunday. They are Proverb, who won the Goodwood Cup last year, and Parnell, who was beaten a length by Rock Rol in the Cadran two years

Rock Rol in the Cadran two years ago.

William Carson rode Proverh when he won the Paradise Stakes at Ascot on May Day, but he has been claimed by Bernard van Cutsem to ride Paradell, so the ride on Proverb has been given to Joe Mercer. Lester Piggott was asked to ride Proverb when it became clear that Carson woold be unavailable, but Piggott has chosen Lassaile, who won both the Cadran and the Ascot Gold Cup last year, a comparatively rare feat. Lassaile's regular pariner, Jimmy Lindley, is mursing an injured foot, burt in a recent fall while raceriding in Germany.

Récupéré, in his present form, is surely the one that all have to bear on Sunday. Bred in Yorkshire on the Burton Agnes Stod but trained now in France, Récupéré has come into his own this spring, winning hoth the Prix Jean Prar and the Prix de Barbeville.

Mille Fleurs, Mill Reef's young

Jean Prar and the Prix de Barbeville.

Mille Fleurs, Mill Reef's young half-sister, is also due to run at Longchamp on Sunday. She recently won her first race at Chester. Her target this time will he the Prix St Alary, for which many of the best French three-year-old fillies are doe to clash.

Northern Princess, a lovely hig filly by Sir Ivor, probably ensured her relace in the field for the Caks when she won the Lupe Stakes at Goodwood yesterday by bearing Hors Serie and Red Berry. Northern Princess lonks as though she will improve with her racing hat perhaps she is more the type to

ercel in such races as the Ribbles-dale Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Irish Oaks at the Curragh rather

dale Stakes at Royal Ascot and the Irish Oaks at the Curragh rather Irish Oaks at the Curragh rather Irish Oaks at the Curragh rather than at Epsom.

Northero Princess is a member of a female family which has long served the royal etud well but she belongs now to a leading Japanese owner and breeder, Mr S. Yoshida. He paid 26,000 guineas for her when she was a yearling.

After John Dunlop had watched his filly, Busabina, win tha Seabeach Stakes and thus continue his excellent run, he told me that Pitcairn could be regarded as a definite contender for the Derby. Pitcairn was only narrowly beaten by Furry Gleo in the Irish 2,000 Guineas last 3aturday. Pitcairn has, Dunlop added, come out of that hard race surprisingly well.

Like English Prince, a good winner at Goodwood on Wednesday, Pitcairn is by a milar. Petingo, but out of a mare whose family is enriched with stamina. Dunlop was encouraged m see English Prince win over a mile and a half hot it is Pitcairn's free style of racing rather than his pedigree that raises the doubt about his ability to stay the distance of the Derby.

Overtowe, one of Douglas

ability to stay the distance of the Derby.

Overtown, one of Douglas Smith'e principal hopes for Royal Ascot, is to have his first race away from Newmarket at Kemptom Park today in the Redfern Plate. This ie seen by Smith as an important part of Overtown'a education because he has run so far only at Newmarket where he is also trained. When he won at the Craven meeting and again at the Guineas meeting and again at the Guineas meeting, Overtown made it clear that he had inherited plenty of speed from his stre, Raffingora, not to meraion some of his looks.

Overtowa's race today promises

Overtown's race today promises to be informative because he must cress swords with Kingshott, who

in win a field, or Windson on May 7, but was beaten two lengths by Our Charlie, to whom he conceded 5lb. On Monday, Our Charlie made it plain that that result was no fluke when he won his next race comfortably by three lengths. King-shott is fast but may not be quick enough to cope with Overtown. Cop, a newcomer by Barglar, is one to watch for the future. The Ultramar Handicap looks a

International designation foots a suitable opportunity for Royal Match, carrying only 7 st-6 lb. His three races this season have all been over a mile. Our Newmarket: Correspondent told me yesterday that he was convinced that seven furlongs would be Hoyal Match's ideal distance and the way that he has run in all his races this season tends to support this view. It is now tends to support this view. It is now has run in all his races this season tends to support that view. It is now up to Royal March to prove a point. Step Ahead has a stiff task, even remembering that he carried 9 st 12 lh when he won at Leicester. Mareanes Blue ran well in the Classic Trial here in April but he has been beaten in the meantime at Ascot.

Cley, an acceptor for the Oaks, did not do as well as had been expected when she ran in her first race at Lingfield Park. She travelled hadly from her stable to the course

hadly from her stable to the course and afterwards ber owner, breeder and trainer. Arthur Budgett, announced that she would be given another chance before any decision concerning. Epsom was made. copecraing. Epsom was made, Budgett has chosen the Windsor Park Plate. Cley is a half-sister to his two Derby Winners, Blakeney and Morston.

Invitation, who also runs in her race this afternoon, is Rheingold's younger sister and she is also still engaged in the Oaks. Her first race this seeson was not particularly encouraging but she looked back-

STATE OF GOING lotteral: Kempt Park: good. Raptock Park: good to far Tomorroy: Ayr: good. Doncaster: goo Carimel: good 6e ftra. Towesser: has Herham: thm. Southwell: good.

#### Sunotra has big advantage at the weights

By Jim Snow
Northern Racing Correspondent
Not for a long time has there
been a story of instant success in
British flat racing as that of Michael
Goreham. Only one who has raced
regularly throughout the year all
over the globe could have been
aware of his identity when his
tame was on the list of jockeys at
the opening meeting of the flat at
Doncaster in March this year. He
would have been recognized as the
young man who rode more than
500 winners in South Australia, and
a jockey who was following the
same post-war pattern of Edgar
Britt, Scobie Breasley, Bill Williamson. George Moore, and Ron
Harchinson. Son, Georg

Hutchinson,
Goreham has so far ridden 10 winners, mostly for the stable hy which he is retained, that of Denys Smith in Durham, and he is now

picking up outside rides. Trainers have watched him and have been quick to note his quiet, firm authority in the saidle, not unlike that of Williamson, Henry Cecil has engaged him to ride James Young in the John Davies Handicap and Lady Icarus in the Club Handicap at Haydock Park today. Goreham has also the advantage of going to scale at a little under 8 st.

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James Young has been umplaced in his two races this year, following a successful 1973 season. His two failures have been in strongly contested handicaps, the City and Saburban at Epsom and the Turn of the Lands at Newmarket. Now he faces only five rivals who are a little below the class he met at Epsom and Newmarket, and he is on the reasonable handicap mark of 8 st 9 lb.

I doubt if Lord Nelson can give James Young weight, but the Middleham trained six-year-old, Middleham-trained six-year-old, Sunotra, must home large on his horkon. With 7st 11b and 5h off for an experienced stable apprentice, Oliver Gray, Sunotra receives 17h from James Young. In three races this season Sunotra has won twice and finished second. Close betting on both can be expected, but my choice goes marginally to Sunotra at the weights.

Lady Icarus might, with 8st, be the pick of the handicap for the seven-furloug Club Plate. By Bold Lad, she cost 16,000 guineas as a yearing and raced only once as a two-year-old last season; but on May 2 she was distinctly impressive at Newmarket when, in Lester Piggott's hands, she won a valuable mile race for maiden three-year-olds.

ride four winners at Warwick

Brittain's third winner since Sa day when winning the Sum Handitap at Warwick yesten Brittain's other successes 1 Pontam in the Thirsk Hunt and a St Leger prospect. Breeze, in Nortingham's Ca-

The Newmarket trainer s
My horses were so well I tho
I would have had about 15 wir
by now, but I have been pla
by seconds and the score stanby seconds and the scott start seven." David Maitland kept S Borunfa going to win by a from the top weight, Tamilian, the favourite, Water Board, the field.

William Carson, who part
Water Board, was on the ma
the Endbrooke Maiden I
bringing the 5-1 chance, Pr
wide on the stand rails, wher
going was better, to win by tw
a half lengths. This was a
winner for Peter Scarishrick,
has Palko in partnership with
Humphries.

Four apprentices rode with Among them Keviu Lewis's ling of Jennyson in the Whitandicap Stakes was an outing piece of riding. With Com Prince Mandarin, challenging of the And Dury Hiller. one side, and Durr, riding Martin, breathing down his on the other, Lewis pushed the on with hands and heels to w a length. He was repeater success on the horse at Thir Saturday for his master, Hollinshead, and has now h

#### Piggott leads a the way for Longchamp w

Paris, May 23.—Lester P
riding André Laguorre's La
eastly won the Prix de Chai
two-year-old filles run ove
furiongs at Longchamp uere
La Poesie, the favourit
from start to finish to wir
length and a half from Sir R
Sykes's Pope Joan, ridden by
Lequeux, Oudika was third
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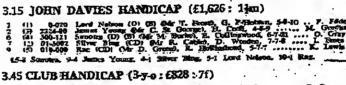
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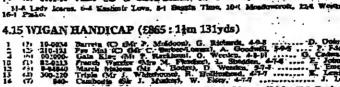
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2.45 WILLOWS PLATE (3-y-o: £483: 1m)







Haydock Park selections

Goodwood results

By Our Northern Correspondent 2.15 Glenmalin. 2.45 ALAMEIN is specially recommended. 3.15 Sunotra. 3.45 Lady Icarus. 4.15 Pee Mai. 4.45 Welsh Mate.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.45 Milesian Prince, 3.15 Silver Bing, 3.45 Lady Icarus.

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2.30 ORPHEUS STAKES (3-y-o: £505: 6f)

104 Ever Analous, 164 others.

3.0 ULTRAMAR HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,281: 7f)

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3.30 MENTMORE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £852 : 14m) (j) 313-349 Redecidale (Deks. of Devendaire), B. van Criston, 9-6 (i) 281-519 Kangsa (B) Off J. Kraingsant), S. Houghien, 8-16 (i) 281-519 Kangsa (B) Off J. Kraingsant), S. Houghien, 8-16 (i) 219 01-0129 Reminiscent (B) IM C. Essu, P. Sapple, 7-6 T. L. 444-60 Young, Nicky Off S. Wijford), P. Ashworth, 7-0 C. S. Redecidale 9-4 Pentacle, 6-1 Kangsan, 10-1 Boardroom, 20-1 Young Nicky

4.30 REDFERN PLATE (2-y-o: £414: 5f)

Kempton Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Cley. 2:30 The Young Lion. 3.0 Royal Match. 3.30 Redesdale. Blue. 4:30 OVERTON is specially recommended.

By Our Newmarker Correspondent 2.0 Lucky So-So. 3.0 Royal Match. 3.30 Redesdale. 4.30 Overton.

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P. Waldton (4-1) 2
YANETO, b 1, by Lanco-Yanoula
Odrs C. Keeling), 7 st 5 lb
R. Greenier 413-23 3 ALSO RAN: 13-8 fav Winter Boerd, 6-1 Carne Genr Vetch, 18-1 Feant Hebre, 33-4 Rottgers, Reggies per, 8 rm. TOTE: Win, 920: places, 250, 250, 260; Gud Iorecast, 18-84. C. Britishn, et Now-marker, NR, II. TOTE: Win. 31p; places, 2 Hills. at Lampours. 2011. 3.45 (3.46 CRANDOS MAIDEN PLATE C.p.o.: E276 V 50 TOTE DOUBLE: Sweet Boson. E17.10. TREBLE: Tel-Naivesta, Davidson, £11.20.

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Football

# Ting Gilliat and Turner both make

By Peter Marson CHELMSFORD: Hampshire, with dx first innings wickets in hand, eat Essex by 153 runs.

A changeable day yesterday, when sunshine and showers, light and beavy, vied for top billing, ras note the less dominated by lampshire's batsmen, and in paricular Gilliat and Turner, both and the paracrash of the second control of the second rhom scored centuries. Half an our's play was lost to rain before uncheon and 25 minutes immed-nely afterwards, before a 10-minbailstorm carpeted the ground

re ballstorm carpeted the ground t 3.25.

By four o'clock it bad taken a vorough soaking and finally play as abanduned 40 minutes before the scheduled cluse. If Essex can be brought down cheaply again oday, then Hampshire will win, at if the weather has a say the sult will be a draw.

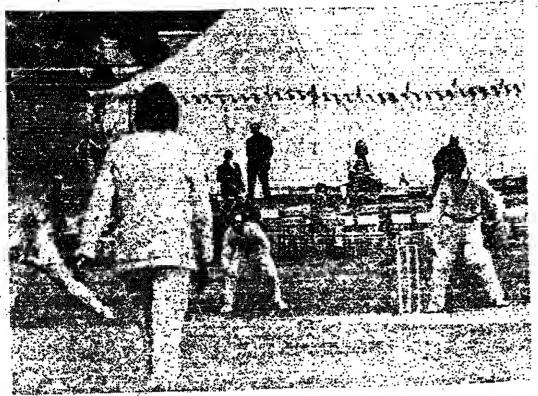
Hampshire bad begun the day at 14 for two from 41 overs, enjuying a lead of 16, with Gilliat 22 ons short of his hundred and urner on 37. At once Gilliat fiered a catch to Fletcher at slip fit the bowling of East. It was not the easiest of chances, the ball plug away from Fletcher's left and, and the carch went down. Illiat was then \$1. With his score and, and the catch went down.

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) Gilliat bad another close shave

hen East failed to gather a fine from the boundary by Hobbs th the batsman straining to gain

is crease.
When Gilliat's century arrived it andred in successive championlips matches against Essex, havg made 110 against them at
ortsmouth in August last year.
Illiat reached his target boldly
nd in style, gliding down the
sitch and on-driving East to the
oundary with a full swing of the
at. This was the last of nine fours
high, together with two sixes bad
rought half his runs in 128
linutes
It had been a fine innings, con-



Gilliat watches the ball on its way into Smith's gloves to end his runings of 106.

trolled, watchful and hard hitting with a liberal supply of those attacking strokes that are much favoured by left handed batsmen. For some odd reason their pulls and drives seem to be, as Sam Weller might have said, "of bextra power". The same could be said of Turner, Gilliat's partner in this beauthorded assault on

afternoon's first sharp shower the pitch had gained a little tife, and Boyca found a little bounce. But, Jesty looked in good shape and he and Turner, finding the gaps in the field, made their runs entertainingly. the field, made their runs entertainingly.

In the 64th over with the score at 227 Turner pulled East to midwicket, where Lerer's jodgment erred and the catch went down. Jesty, too, escaped from a barder chance to Stuart Turner behind square leg, but as luncheon approached be was in full swinc, straight driving East for six and sweeping Hobbs much as Denis Compton would bave sweep him. delicately, and tine. At luncheon Turner bad made 78, jesty 35, and the Hampshire score stood at 267 for three—a lead of 97.

Turner reached his century abortly after three o'clock. He bad

been batting through 34 overs stoce 4.10 on Wednesday. Hobbs's over-throw had made one run lntn two to crown a six and eight fours in his bundred. Jesty now bad a good lunings rudely interrupted two runs short of his 50. He and Turner had put on 95 runs in 28 overs.

HAMPSHIRE ; First lantage Richards, c Fast, b Torder Greenides, b Leter Turner, not out C. Callist, c Smith, a Lever Jest, b Turner Lever, not out Extra b b b b w i, n-b 72

#### Rain spoils the contest of the woods and jacks

y Alan Gibson ORTHAMPTON :

Northamptonhire, with four first innings ickets in hand, are 102 runs chind the Indians. There took place recently an im-

There took place recently an important bowls match. It was on me of the crown greens of the mith (by far the best form of powls) and much money depended in the result. The last few critical woods seemed to be equidistant from the lack. Handkerchiefs, feers of string, tape measures ould oot settle which was the near-tenally the contestants decided suld out settle which was the near-st. Finally the contestants decided reversely the contestants decided reversely that an independent minion, and called in a passer-by-he passer-by explained be knew tothing of bowls, but was assured hat was of no importance: "Just fell us what that think, lad." He consulted the crucial cluster, and a light secured to dawn. "Well, for

consulted the crucial cluster, and a light secuned to dawn. "Well, for a start", be said, "that little beoger's got no chance", and kicked the jack away.

I tell you this story first, Lause I heard it from Jack Mercer, be old Glamorgao player, who now cores for Northamptonshire and those gifts as a ratonteur are cores for Northamptonshire and hose gifts as a raconteur are of alway, sufficiently credited; condly, because that was the only sall; cottertaintoe thing that hapined to me all day; and thirdly, scause this match has so far been re much a contest between the gods and the facks, the ble nues ods and the facks, the big nnes in the little ones. On Wednesty it was tiny Viswanath who led a Indians to a good score; yesterly it was the burly Willey who pt Northamptonshire in the

me. I have implied that the game was, ring, and so it was for the most rt, but that was the fault of the ather, not the players. There was play until 12-20, another stop in d-alternoon, and then a drencb-g storm at teatime. We were ky. I suppose, it was no worse. I day great banks of cloud, poping rain, alipped by on either le.

Northamptonshire started at 18 for one. Willey and Steele had taken the score to 77, in the 31st over, when Steele was canght at the wicket. This was the second wicket of Abid Alt, who made several balls lift, in spite of the low swing of his arm. Solkar had nothing to show for his labours, though I thought be bowled the better, the batsmen often playing and missing at the ball leaving them.

them.

It was too wer for the spinners, but Mushtaq was caught off Prasanua, mistiming a drive, and then Willey gave a catch to midwicket off a long hop from Chandrasekhar. Chandrasekhar's long bops are not always quite what they seem, like Arthur Mailey's full tosses. That was 131 for four in the Sist over, and Willey bad scored 87 of them. He stands up straight and lits and Willey bad scored 57 of them.

He stands up straight and bits the ball bard; sometimes he can achieve a cut or glance with a delicacy which surprises you, but his best stroke is the cover drive off the back foot, which he hies with a real whack.

a real whack.

There was another bour's play in the erening, during which North-amptonsbre lost two more wickets, but the cricket had no significance, with everyone slipping and sliding. We might still bare an interesting finish, because both sides are arrious to win, and there is not much between them, but I am afraid that the weather, that casual passerby, will kick the jack away. PVDIANS I First lamnes, 296 for 8 dec 10. Viswannih 103 not out: Serfree News

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# Varket day at the Oval

it is expected that, to begin with, it is expected that, to begin with, it will be 150 stallholders. If the seme is a success it could boost

loucester v Middlesex

Umpires: A. Jepson and H. Yarrold.

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artey to 1 A S Brown S for 194

Second Innings
Smith, not out
Featherstone, not out

the club's income by many thous-ands of pounds a year. Surrey County Cricket Club, who se tried pop concerts and donkey bles to raise money, are nowing into the market business. The park at the Vauxhall end of the und is to be used as a Sunday uning market for an experintal 14-week period starting on me 9. The stalls will onen between 9 am and 2 pm, and the club are boping that some of the customers will atay on to watch Sunday league games at the ground.

HARROW: Club Cricket Conference :09-7 acc :rad 1:8-5 dec MCC 186-4 dec 11. Yell of not out. D. Smith 641 and 159-8 (B. Thomason 5-49), Orana

#### Sussex v Somerset SUSSEX: First Issuers, 213 17 A. W. Mannell 72 not out; H. R.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2-15, 3-76, 1-15, 1-15, 3-76, 1-15, 1-15, 3-76, 3-76, 3-7 Rottes Points: Susset A. Somerset S. Umpires: W. E. Alley and W. L. Budd.

DERBYSHIRE: A. HIII. A. J. Borrington, M. R. Page, J. B. Boles, A. J. Harvey-Waller, TR. W. Instor. G. Miller, F. W. Swarbrook, P. E. Russell, C. J. Lupnichife, M. Hendrick to bet. Boros points (L. dald): Lenescerabina 2 Boros shire - Unapires: W. E. Philippot and H. D. Bira

Yorkshire v Warwick

varwiczshire: First Iraines, 319 17.2 orasi (A. J. Kallicharum J. R. B. Kachal 74. S. J. Rosse 231. Vorkstiffet: First Iraines, 43 107 1711 overs. Roma poleta ito dato): Yorkshire 4. Wortestershire 4. No play restereds.

# Lightning, hail and Procter all strike at Bristol altogether staved three bours and a quarter for 63. Often he played and missed as the ball lifted willingly for the quick bowlers, especially Holder, but he survived. Roope helped in a second wicket stand of 47 before he was howled playing no shot at Brain. Younds tried to hit D'Oliveira out of the ground and sew Holder indge the steenling catch to perfection. Gifford eventually prised out Edwards, having him caught at silp from an edged drive.

Lightning and a hail storm tashed the county ground at Bristol yesterday carpeting the entire ground in white. It was nature's answer, perhaps, to an equally electrifying hatting performance by the South African, Procter. In four bours, be bammered two sixes and 25 fours off the Middlesex bowling. He was on 157 when be stretched forward to Titmus, bowling with all his old guile, and was ont leg before. Procter gave only one chance, at 123 when be might have been stumped.

Gloocestershire owed their lead of 128 to the sixth wicket partnership between Procter and Brown. They put on 105 in 70 minutes with Brown striking 55 of them, matching Procter's big hitting with a six and eight fours. Middlesex were eight without loss in their second innings when the storm brought a premature end to play.

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All eight first-class games on the programme were curtailed by rain—a true sign that summer has really arrived. No play was possible at Sheffield between Yorkshire and Warwickshire wittle only seven balls were possible at Leicester in the game between Leicestershire and Derbyshire.

Surrey's hattmen led by the

shire and Derbyshire.

Surrey's batsmen, led by the beneficiary. Edwards, battled grimly between the showers to prevent the Worcestersbire bowlers taking command of the match at the Oval, Just over two hours play was possible in three periods before a final storm ended play. In that time Surrey moved precariously from 48 for one to 140 for five in answer to Worcestersbire's 262.

Surrey, who won their first two Surrey, who won their first two championship games inside two days might bave been in serious trouble but for Edwards, who

# Second XI competition

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#### Leicester v Derhyshire AT LEICESTER

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N. M. McVicker G. D. McKenzie, E. Hirst to left. PALL OF WICKETS: 1—16, 2—72, 3—66, 4—68, 5—135, 5—174

### ing no chances when Sussex batted again and crawled to 19 in the 65 minutes before the close of play, when the Sussex task of avolding defeat looked daunting. Today's cricket

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but his final figures taded to four

for 117. Snow's two wickets cost him 92 runs. Greenidge and Morley were tak-

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Croquet

# Dry moats recommended at grounds

Denis Howell, the minister responsible for sport, made this dear resterday when he amounced (a first recommendation of inworking party in cound behaviour in spite of last reason's interperted matches between first Newcastle United and Nanchester City. Mr. Howell said: "We rejected fonces for various reasons. Our object now must be to more fans hack a yard or so from the pitch to leate an area manned by police and ambitance people, etc. undertaking as soon as pos-

tanca people, etc.
"This would be fromed by wall, about Creet high, surround-ing the pitch. There would be a second wall a yard back, icavists an area which would, in effect, create a dry most around the pitches. I prefer to call it a security

"Arsenal have already created this type of walkway at Highbury. As far as I know, it is the unique in the country and from my discussions with police at the fround this morning it teems to make the wireless and the less than a far with the morning at the position in feetball at the moment. position in football at the moment. the are anxious for clubs to start

this is a last resort. Cite's should be sawing in the direction of all that stadies, but I cannot see this for 13 to 20 years. The FA would I'ke to see at least first and second division clubs starong to put these

be limited to gire police fullest opportunity for crowd control.

rote of warms. He said. We know minimately no may grounds, but we very much hope

The secretary of the Football Association, Ted Croker, sounded harm to see female ercolled al

mannered first balf.

Glavia, diplomatically, was suborticed during the interval, but
the demage was aircade done. As
a result, there was a tandency to
riay the men raiber than the ball
for the remainder of the match,
though the situation at no time
sank to the squalid level of 1966.
Indeed, many of the players
swopped shirts happily enough in
the end in a friendly spirit which
we hope will be remembered when
England with Argentua next

In the end, Argentina—helped as they were by a doubtful penalty lick given against Hughes—were lucky to pull back a two-goat deficit, but in dolag so showed spirit and suggest that they may have much to say in the World

recommendations into before next season." Mr Howell confirmed that clubs would be under no legal obligation to carry out the working party's In Movement on terraces thousand

1. Access to pitches should bu made as difficult as possible. To provent internachment, clubs should build a well with a smooth surface not less than four feet high around the pitch. Home and menting supporters, froud he sagregated.

The Football Association have corquiarized all 02 Football League with the recommendations, as: "We resize each club cooks with the recognitional end say: "We restile each clip has its own problems, but we hope this letter will give guidance to

Angentina Forson for a fine technicians with a sility fouch in their chalcos, ciese passing on the ground. The experienced Perform at the back, Brandish in makined some 1500,000—in, brillian at some 1500,000—in, brillian Ayala in proof, with Kempes and Baltonena, were all musics craftsmen who brought the best performance wet from England under Joe bleecer.

Mhere England had been vapid ond shapeless against Scotland only last Saturday, they were now progressive, postive and, although even exciting force. Let us hope they can maintain this form on their coming tour of East Germany, Bulgaria and Yugoslaria. The changes made by Mr Mercer largely did the trick. Brooking

the 'all reasonable precautions' which clubs are requested to take under FA Rule 38A to prevent print invasions."

At Croker said that the football clubs would find a poels leve, as acceptable vay to meet the coels of such early. The clubs are being acted to discuse the recommendations with their local police authorities and in the working party know within one month how they intend to apply the principles to their own grounds. The wall asked for by the working party would not be necessary where cating extend; to the level of the planing area.

On the question of dividing superties, they say: "It is evident that at some grounds it is possible

On the quertion of dividing sup-reriers, they say: "It is evident that at some grounds it is possible for spectators bent un mischief to transfer from one and of the ground to the other. Clubs are advised to prevent this practice."

It was a deep pity that Heghes was at fault in that unguarded moment. His impetuous action disturbed what for three-quarters of an hour res an absorbing technical duel. If he has not already learnt a lesson, he should be taught one

Eoth Sir Alf Ramsey, the former England manager, and Gordon Jazo have indicated that they are not interested in accepting the position of manager of Aston Villa.

Sir Alf not for Villa

# England captain fails to encourage friendly spirit why splendid in the centre of mid-field. He is a player with wide vision, imagination and accuracy. Lindsay, too, did finely in his first international match, remembering that in Arala he laced the most dangerode player on the field. Hugbes this temper apart also operated better at full back than in midfield; Wasson was strong at centre belf. But for me England's man was Todd. He scarcely put a foot wrong all night. It was a deep pity that Heghes for his pains was knocked common by a sharp clip from Grania as the trains left the field for half-time. Earlier, also, Heches had to mentioned the one vision; tacking an otherwise correct and well-mannered first half. Claria, dislogarically, was sub-

By Geoffrey Green Football Correspondent

Football Correspondent
Once more, England and Argentina rerealed the sharp contrast in atyle, rection and technique between the British and the South American games when the Correct at Vembley on Wennisonnight. Once more, too, they were seen to be uneasy hedfellow, as sparks flew for periods of the second half. Though, to be frank, it was Hughes, England's captain, who first touched off the latent ill-feeling in the dying moments before the Interval.

In the past year or two it bas been noticeable, on occasion, her. Hughes has failed to control his Highes has failed to control his petulance, a trait that has been foreign to his nature in the pert. On this occasion it was Perfamo, the Argentine captain, who raised Hughes's hackles by protesting houly that England's opening goal by Channon was offside.

Highes, stupidly, squared up in a threatening attitude to fee visitor

Yachting

FALL OF MICKETS: (-1, 1-35, 3-39 Benus points : Essex 2. Humpshue S. Umptres ; R. Aspinali and D. J. Constant.

Rain limited play to two bours

#### Thomas stresses value of early preparation

By John Nicholls David Thomas, sailing F. Oucker and F. Raise; "Woodroffe's Chartrense, won both races for the One Ton class in a lerel racing regatta organized by the Royal Thames Yacht Club in the Solem yesterday. Last season, in the Quarter Ton class, Thomas showed the value of early preparation and the pattern learly propagation and the pattern looks like being repeated this year. While the boats of some of his potential rivals for the One Too Cup series in July are not yet launched. Thomas is already winning rares. Rain limited play to two bours at Liverpool where Lancashire resumed against Glamorgan. In that time they improved their overnight total of 63 for one to 180 for five in 51 overs before a rainstorm during the tea loterval caused the presenter and

ning rares, The morning race was sailed in The morning race was sailed in a stiff vesterly breeze and Chartteuse led from start to finish. She was pressed at first by David Edwards in Hylas, but as the race progressed she opened the way to win by nearly a calnote. Peter Nicholsoo was third, sailing Brigante, which, like Chartreuse, is a one-off design constructed in aluminium. Chartreuse was designed by Thomas and Brigante by Camper and Nicholson.

The second race was marked by ing the rea loterval caused the premature eod.

The wet pitch had delayed the
start until after luncheon. David
Lloyd fell after reaching 52; Clive
Lloyd, Hayes and Abrahams all fell
cheaply to Solbnky; and it was
left to Pilling, unbeaten with 77, to
hold up the progress of the Glamorgan bowlers.

Breakwell's entertaining 67 and
a patient 72 by Burgess helped
Somerset into a first innings lead
of 114 over Sossex al Hove. The
pair Bdded 90 for the eighth wicket
in 29 overs, 43 of the runs eoming
from the last six. The last four
wickets finally added 154, as
Somerset reached 327. For Sossex
Greig bad three wickets for only
30 during a lively nurming's spell
but his final figures taded to four

The second race was marred by a fading, shifty breeze and heavy rain squalls which drove across the Olympic course every 20 minutes or so. Brigante was first of the windward mark, with a seemingly comfortable lead from Chartreuse and Hylas. The wind died away on the reach to the gybe mark and then headed the boats as they artempted the second reach to the artempted the second reach to the leeward mark. Eventually they bad to beat to the mark, and it was on this leg that Chartreuse slipped past Brigante. The race was shortened after the next leg, on a dead run, to the original windward

mark.
The Half Ton class was the best supported, with 16 entries, and Brian Saffery-Cooper in Racketer and Richard Ewart-Smith in Windy of Hamble tuch scored a first and of Hamble E.cn scored a first and second placing. Windy went extremely fast in the first round of the first race and led at the end of the round, with Racketeer pulling op from sixth to third. On the downwind leg Racketeer surged into the lead and beld off Windy to win by fire seconds. to win by five seconds.

The finish was close again in the afternoon, but this time it was Windy which won by a length, after the two boats had been together all round the course, with Rucketeer leading at the first mark. Only four course, Ton beats ware out and leading at the first mark. Only four Quarter Ton boats were out and first places went to V. Carrington's Quart In the morning and Andrew Cassell in Tequila UK in the after-

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FIRST RACE Unit length the transfer of Thomas, 'Nicholen Bail Ten 1. Reference 1. Reference 1. Reference 1. Reference 1. Reference 1. Reference 1. Reporter 1. Reporter 1. Reference 1. Reporter 1. Reference 1. Reference

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#### Miss Wade's patience will be tested By Rex Beliamy

Tennis Correspondent Jacqueline Fayter, of Exeter, has won four matches without baring a set point against her in reaching the semi-final round of the women's singles in the British hard court tennis championships, sponsored by Rothmans, at Bournemminth. The opposition has not heen intimidating. But the sturdy Miss Fayter has disposed of it with concentrated tenacity and good sense, provoking costly lodiscretions from one rival after another. The only unseeded survivor, she is 22 and fifth in the British rankings.

Today Miss Fayter will test the patleace and ball control of Virginian and virg Jacqueline Fayter, of Exeter, has

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Today Miss Fayter will test the pateace and ball control of Virgicia Wade, three times champlon, whom she bas twice defeated. In the final the winner will oppose either Julie Heldman of Texas, or Dianne Fromboltz (New South Wales), aged 17, who also advanced to the semi-final round a year ago.

For the third successive day the weather reminded as of the comparative advantages of lodgor formaments. Rain distributed the scheduling, interrupted marches, and encouraged increasingly hungry players to lose their mental rest while awalting the call—or recall—to active service. Three of the four women's matches were decided in straight sets.

Miss Fayter 100 6—1, 6—4 against Jennifer Dimond (Sydney), who is on her first overseas tour and lacks experience on loose too courts. Miss Wade conceded only three games to Winnie Wooldridge (the only loser more than 18 years old). It was as if both knew the result in advance and were merely

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result in advance and were merely concerned with playing as well as their good humour and relayed concentration would permit.

Sisan Barker from Palanton, who played e good first set but could not maintain her length in the second, was beaten, 6—3, 6—0, by Miss Heldman, who generously observed later: "The score was like it was only hecause she was 18. She bad me up against a wall so many times. It was unning all over the place. She would hit three or four forelands. It would scramble them back, and then she would either make it or miss it. It was still a match in the middle of the second set. But I was winning the games. It was just experience. Her forehand is an attacking shot, but not a defensive shot. She has a bener drop shot and backband than she had."

bener drop shot and tackband than she had."

All this modestly ignored the controlled guile of Miss Heldman's tennis. In winning eight successive games for the match, she had only two game points against her (both during a game in which she served four double-faults).

Miss Fromholtz won 6—1, 4—5.

S—3, against Carrie Meyer, of Indianapolis, who is resourceful and solid but has yet to acquire the weight of shot her further progress will demand. Miss Meyer won the second set twice. When a cross coart backband by Miss Fromholtz was called out, Miss Meyer deceoily and promptly said it was in, where upon the point was replayed, and the Australian served one of her 13 double-faults.

Miss Fromholtz has been having trouble adapting her game from the slow clay of Naples to the quicker courts of Bouroemouth, but is gradually gaining confidence and learning to get to the oct fester. She has been benefiting from the advice of Margaret Court "There are a lot of things I don't know, things coaches didn't tell me. It has really been my parents

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Julie Heidman : modestly ignored her own controlled guils

who got me where I am."

The men's pairings are life Nastase v Corrado Baracentti, and Paolo Bertolucel v Haul Kary. Nastase gave the customert some welcome tight relief by holding aloft an umbrella while he was warming up with jairo Velasco, ose of the men who ejected the United States from the Davis Cup competition. Nastase then won a pleasantly talented, occasionally bilarious and repeatedly fluctuating clay court exercise by \$-5, 6-4. Karw, a left-handed Austrian, has made the most of a good draw.

Men's singles

Women's singles

Men's doubles

Third round (101) East R. P. Dell and S. Shevart (15) 6-1, 0-1. Gistern (Stein) and I. NASTASE (Remaila) best S. Pell and R. Girman (18) March 16-3, 10-0 6 7

Women's doubles Third raund

MRSS J. J. HELDELON (US) and Mill.

S. V. WADE IGP bent Mill. M. Morgin
and Mill. T. J. Whiteress (Australia),
e-1, b-4.

USS I. J. CHARLES and PISS S.
MAPPIN IGB, bent Mill. Dimend and
Mills D. Fromholt (Australia), 6-4, 6-2,
tills P. S. HOLLAN and MISS S. A.
WALSH (US) bent Mills I. Fayler IGB,
and Mills P. Peilschow (Irun), 6-0, b-0,
MISS L. BOSHOFF and MIRS O. PRETORIUS ISAI bent Mill. J. Congdon and
Jiba E. R. Thempson IGB, 7-3 b-1. Third raned

Mixed doubles

Sceone rou**nd** W. FEAVER and ABSS 5. V. WADE-(GP) bed S. W. Hancock and Miss S. Arbert (Australia), 7—5, 6—3. K. Fiebnor and Mos L. Boshoef (SA) beat. R. Webb and Mos C. Melesworth (GB), 1-2, 6-1.

10-2, 6-1.
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SET S. bluderd tirelands, 6-2, 6-3,
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L. A. Rai mond (Australia), 6-2, 3-6. A. WARREN S (GE) and MISS S. A. WAICH (US) best I. Trukey and Miss M. Mergen (Assiratio), 6-3, 6-1.

Fernavdes (Belvint and Max P. Ellion (Assiratio), 1-21. Little and Max D. Saubarn (Assiratio), 6-2, 6-2.

C. S. EREBYOR, and MR. P. PRETORIUS (Not Truke), 1-25, 6-3.

(Australia), 7-5, 6-4.

#### Science report

### Genetics: Breeding rats to win competitions

Selective breeding can not only produce animals with different physical attributes; it can also give rise to animals that behave in a certain way. That is line finding of two Brantian scientists who have bred rets which consistently win or lose competitions for food when set against their physical equals.

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or lose competed physical equais.
Writing in Vature, Dr Jandire Slaver and Dr Marco A. P. Benedito, of the Paullan School of Goddine. So Paulo, describe how they obtained the "winner" and "Joseph Traineties of rat. They selected even pairs of rats from a laborator colony, which had been bred at random, and trained them to run along a narrow passage for a neward of food placed at each end. When training was completed, the tats were forced to compute for the loed. One rat was placed at each end of the runway and on its way to the food mer the other at way to the foed met the other at a narrow door in the middl. The winner " nat was the one that pushed its opponent backwards in observations."

obtain the reward. After several competitions, il because clear that certain rats were

either winning or losing more frequently than others—a stable hierarchy of winners had been established. The researchers the mated the two host "winner" males with the two most soccessful females. They also bred the more processful "loser " rats.

The offspring of these matthese Insuccessful boser arts.

The offspring of these matings were kept separately and segregated by ser so that no unplanned pregnancies could occur. At that stage, then, the researchers had produced four groups of rais the main and female desendants of "winners" and the male and female desendants.

and the male and female descendants of "losers". When they were 80 days old 13cll group was subjected to the same training and competition as their parents. Like them, they formed stable therarchies of animals that won or lest in a consistent way. From those hierarchies the hear "winner" and "loser" rate again selected and bred as before. The Brazilian actantists continued breeding and selection for five geographous. When they were 80 days old tach

geogramons. The second, third and (ourth

generation of rath were set to compete against other rats bred at random and the scientists found that their "winner" strains won 75 per cent of their contests 75 oer cent of their contests—
three experimental competitions of
three contests each deciding the
miner. Their "locer" strains
more also consistent— they insinearly 60 per tent of their bouts.
The litth and final generation of rets was matched egalast itself: 80 per cent of the contests were was by rats descended from pre-

All the rate in the tests seemed evenly matched and no significant difference in their weights was topod. But just in case the winning or josing parents were passing on their behaviour to example, the young rats were reared by toster-parents.

so the presence of genetic trains for winning and losing rate was proved, suggesting that in laboratory rate, at least, a mixture of winners and losers to atways present, if winning is ererything, then natural selection would have produced a rat that was as noted. produced a ret that was as good

e winner as possible. But nature is not as red in touth and claw as was ence thought, and the presence of the maggressive loser component in the population is, in some subtle way, necessary for the survival of the species. Perhaps in the case of the laboratory rats the gentle who have to be red as the recepts who have to handle them have unwittingly selected the more docile animals for their breeding

docile animals for their breeding colonies.

The results confirm the belief of most population geneticists that there is virtually no character of any sort in a nopulation, either montal or physical, that cannot be altered by selective breeding. From that it follows that the degree of aggression in a human population could also be altered by selective breeding, but for social and political reasons that is dangerous ground indeed.

By Nature-Times News Service Source: Natura, May 17 (249)

Nature-Times New Service.

30xing

herry Pant, the undefeated ridsh light-middle-reight cham-lon, will bex Tom Intie (Sect-ied), a fermer Commonwealth ames champion, over 10 rounds t 11st 31b at the Albert Hall, ondon, on June 4. This will he and's first appearance in public at London tournament and intie, the carries a hard punch, should rovide lum with a severe test. This contest takes the olace of rovide inm with a severe 1881.

This contest takes the place of the contest between Johnny Clark, the British and European bantamiveleth champion, and Earl Layne United States). Clark has had o withdraw because an eye injury which he received in his last bout igalnst Lulgi Tessarin (Italy) bas ot responded to preatment. Top

Paul to meet Imrie in London bout Lerry Pant, the undefeated rinsh light-middle-pright cham-

racco Evan Armstrong, British the British light-welterweight title, eatherweight champion, and an makes his first appearance as cham-

Jean-Claude Bouttier, of France, the European middleweight boxing champion. said today he did not tear his British challenger, Kerdnerinnegan, whom he meets in Faris in a title bout no Monday night. "All I know about Finnegan is that he is an amateur painter. So I'll ask him to draw my portrait with strokes of the brush at the weigh-in", Bouttier said.

"But in the ring I will arrange weigh in ", Bouttier said.

"But in the ring I will arrange to do his portrait with my fists", he added. "I here never seen Finnegan in action. I here been told be bas a good left and so have I. Anyway, I am ready for the fight ". Bouttler said.

Pat McCormack, Irish bolder of

other Scot. Verson Sollaa, over 10 pion at a charity tournament at rounds.

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Boxing's first large-scale spinsorship is to be undertaken abortly
by Thorn Heating, who are pulting
up nearly £5,000 to back a series of
eight amateur tournaments in
various parts of the country. Startling at the Europa Hotel, London,
on June S. Thorn is putting £600
into each of eight shows over a nine
months, period. The other venues
will be at Bristol, Wolverhampton,
Leicester, Newcastle, Glasgow,
Bournemouth and Bedford.

take a knock Britain's hores of a place in the European water noto champion ships took a knock at Crystal Palace iast night. In the opening match of a three-day, leur-country tournament to decide the final two teams to compete in Vienca later this year, a dour British team lost 3—2 to Spain.

Spain led the first quarter 2—0 with goals from Gaspar Venura

Spain led the first quarter 2—0 with goals from Gaspar Vemera and Juan Sans. Britain settled and at half time Rodney Jones had halved the deficit. Spain were kept on the defensive and Jones leveiled for Britain at the end of the third quarter. Tempers rose as Spain sacured the winning goal through their captain, Juan Jane.

RESULTS: Spain 3. Britain 2: West Cermany 10. Greece;

#### Water polo

#### British hopes of qualifying

### Ulster minister attacks Mr Paisley for 'making a mockery of the Christianity I learnt'

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MR MERLYN REES, Secretary MR MERLYN REES, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland incleeds, South, Lah), in a state-ument on matters arising from, or connected with, the Sunningdale agreement ragarding the Council of Ireland, policing, detention end the raport of the Law Enforcement Commission with the Commission of the Law Enforcement Commission with the Commission of the Comm

the ruport of the Law Enforcement Commission, said:

The House will be aware that the Northern Ireland Executive issued last night a statement on the basis upon which it is prepared in proceed in relation to a Council of Ireland. I bare, on behalf of HM Government, well-timed this statement which provides a realistic and sensible basis on which the North and South of Ireland can work together.

The proposals now put forward carefully protect the interests of both communities and are consistent with the overriding require-

ent with the overriding require-street in the Constitution Act that there can be no change in the Status of Northern Ireland without states of Northern Ireland without the consent of the majority of the people in Northern Ireland.

It is good sense that there should be institutions in Ireland as a whole so that the people there work together in cooperation with unn another, in the interest of all.

#### Police authority

The Sunningdale agreement also provided for a limited, and carefully defined, role for e Council of Ministers in relation to policing. In particular, HM Government nudertook that eppoliments in the Northern Ireland police authority would be mede after consultation with the Northern Ireland Exernitive, which would consult with the Council of Ministers. I propose to lay before the House immediately after the recess an order reconstituting the police authority.

In addition, steps have been taken to set up an all-party committee from the Assembly to examine how best to introduce effective policing throughout

effective policing throughout
Northern Ireland with perticular
reference to the need to achieve
public identification with the
police. That committee will meet
anorthy.

At Summingdale, HM Govern-ment gave a firm commitment to bring detention to an end in Northern Ireland for ell sections of the community as soon as the security situation permits. That remains HM Government's policy and, alongside this, urgent thought is heing given to the best way in which persons released from detention can be helped to re-establish themselves in their local communities.

The problem of furitive offend-The problem of fugitive offenders was left unresolved at Sunmigdale and, following the conference, Khi Government and the Irish Government jointly set up a commission to advise them on the most effective means, from a legal point of view, of bringing to justice fugitive polltical offenders in Ireland. The commission completed their work and presented their report to both Governments on April 25. I have todey laid the report before the House.

#### Crimes of violence

BM Government and the Irisb Government realfirm the view expressed by ell parties at Suadingdale that persons committing crimes of violence, however motivated, in any part of Ireland should be brought to trial irrespective of the part of Ireland in which they are located. Agreement has been reached by both Governments on the action to be taken on the commission's report and a statement in similar terms is heingmadn to the Dail by the Irish Mimster tor Justice. Minister tor Justice. The commission condidered, but

rejected, the establishment of mixed courts comprising judges from Northern I relend and the Republic and also, as not offering a practicable immediate solution, the setting up of an all-Ireland court.

The commission agreed that it would be legally feasible to conferpower on the courts in both parts of Ireland so that the courts in each part would be eble to try certain specified crimes wherever to be and they were committed. in Ireland they were committed.
All the members recommended this as a method which could be

The United Kingdom members made it clear that they would have preferred the extraction an agreement or legislation purporting to extradite fugitive political offenders would be valid under the Irich constitution. HM Government and the Irish

in the report and, whilet retaining extradition arrangements - ill introduce reciprocal rion so that the courts in each part of Ireland will have jurisdiction to try under their own domes-tic law certain offences wherever committed in Leland. It is e metter of regret to Hill

Government that the commission disagreed about the legality of amending the Irish extradition law, but it is clear from the report that all the members of the commission are confident that the extension of jurisdiction is not open to any valid objection in law. The effect of this proceed legislation will be thet in future those suspected of having committed cortain specified terrorist offences in Northern Irelend but who bave escaped to the Republic can be tried in the Republic, and those similarly suspected of such crimes in the Republic who have escepted to the North can be tried in Northern Ireland.

#### Deterrent

The existence of the legislation should in itself deter those who commit such crimes in one part of iroland from seeking refuge in the r part.
will remain open to both

Governments to continue to seek extradition whenever they consider it appropriate as a meens of dealing with fugitive offenders and, where extradition is sought but not achieved and sufficient evidence is available, prosecution will be undertaken by the authorioes of the part of Ireland in which the alleged offender is.

The two Governments have agreed that there will be the closest cooperation between the police forces in the investigation of offences.

The Attorney General and the livish Attorney General have acreed that there will need to be the closest cooperation between the two Attorney Generals and their staff in conducting prosecutions based primarily or webly on evidence obtained to the other junisdiction and that this presents no difficulties which cannot and no difficulties which cannot and will not be overcome.

The two Governments have elso agreed to accept the proposals in the report that special security arrangements should be made to arrangements should be made to encourage witnesses to travel into the other's jurisdiction to give evidence; and so include in their respective legislation provisions to enable, in cases where witnesses are unwilling to travel, evidence to he taken on commission in the presence of the court, and of the accused if he wishes, in the way in which the commission recommended.

mended. I am confident that the agree-ment I have arrounced will be an important contribution rowards bringing to trial those responsible for terrorism to Ireland Equally important, however, is the preven-tion of acts of terrorism and the apprehension of those who are responsible Both Governments believe that

soen Governments believe that there is scope for improving border security to fleter terrorists from exploiting the horder and to increase the prospects of catching those who do; and I shall very shortly be meeting Mr Cooney, the litch Minister for Junice, to discuss what can be done to improve further the existing coonecation. further the existing cooperation between the security forces on both sides of the border.

The tracic strike, which affects the life and welfare of every ordinary man and woman to Northern Ireland, must be in the forefront of all our minds. But this must not deter us from proceeding with measures which offer the best hope for the future of Northern Ireland and to which I have referred to the statement.

Realities and truth MR PIM (Cembridgeshire, C), questioning Mr Ress on his statement, said: Now that the parties in the executive bave agreed about

built into the Council of Ireland.
There always were; we know
doubts were cast on this hy some
reople. It seems the aspects to
which the people of Northern
Ireland took objection have been postponed until after the Assemhiy elections.

It is crucially important for him and the executive to mount a major campzign to ensure there is no further misunderstanding about what was intended, what is im-plied, and what is going to

On the Law Commission, is be satisfied that the process he has accreed to is quicker in dealing with fugitive offenders? What when rughtive offenders? What about the security of witnesses, which I suspect will be a problem when crossing the border comes into it? It is a disappointment

It is a disappointment that members from the Republic should have advised that it is possible that a change in the extradition law might not he valid under the Irish constitution? Will he press the Republic of Ireland to bave a further look at this?

There is a tremendous job of communication between the Government here, and the Government in Florthern Ireland, with all the people in Northern, Ireland. There must be channels of communication so that everybody can There must be coannets of com-munication so that everybody can understand what is being done and what is bappening and can feel reassured so that the present criti-cal situetion can come to an end at the earliest possible moment.

#### Difficult task

MR RESS.—The Council of Ireland is a matter for the executive and the Government in the South. There is e job of public relations to do. It is an extremely difficult job to do at the moment in Northern Irelend, but it is oun that has to be done.

On law enforcement, there is no ouesdon of the Government of the South looking again at this. I went to the South to discuss extradition and they mede clear that it is the nature of their constitution and that if they had had legislation and anybody had taken a case to the courts they would have been almost certain that the case would have been turned down.

I shall take steps on the strike. It is a matter for regret that certain MPs are attempting to set up a provisional Government in Northern Ireland. It is better for him to have the facts before way he used it.

Why is it that the head of the

up a provisional Government in Northern Ireland—(cries of "Ob")—by issuing their own ration hooks—and so on, and then come here and draw pay as being democrats; it makes me a little sick.

MR CLEDWYN HUGHES
(Anglesey, Lab)—There is profound increasing distress in this
country at the developing catastrophe in Northerta Ireland. There
is a growing belief, rightly or
wroughy, that the population there
is committed to one extreme or
the other and is not in favour of
the moderate solutions which are the moderate solutions which are being put forward by the Govern-

ment.

The strike by those who call thumselves "loyalists" is birterly resented by the overwhelming majority of the people in this country. If there was a total, physical and economic withdrawal from the Province, the consequences for all Ireland would be disastrous.

AIR REES—The last statement sums up the situation. If that were to be done, with urun what one sees now and knowing the number of guas there are in the North, in would have serious consequences. I expressed my view about the word "loyalist" yesterday.

word "Ioyalist" yesterday.

As for moderation, the elections a year ago showed that there is a mejority of moderates in Northern Ireland. My job is to deal with the security position so that they will be eble to stand up and speak without being airaid of being dealt with by bully boys or intimidation. It is difficult to be a moderate in Northern Ireland at the moment. My job is to help these people.

way he used it.

Why is it that the head of the Department of Beath and Social Services said he would not make any attempt to try and get essential services through the strikers—that is air Devin—and yet his their medical officer made it clear that hospitals were being supplied and no patient has been denied surgery and no patient has died as a result of the strike?

Is it not true that when the

Is it not true that when the workers met the Minister of State, they promised and said they were prepared to go into the power stations and put 60 per cent on the grid without payment provided that that power was used for essential services, and their sup-plies were decied?

#### Permit cards

MR REES. Hn takes me to task for what I said. He deals with people who seek to bring dewn the Government of Nurthern Iraland. He deals in organizations with people who are seeking to bring down the Government of Northern Ireland passed by both sides of this House. He knows there are permit cards being issued in Northern Ireland by those with whom he associates.

expressed my view about the elections of the cannot have souble standard year ago showed that there is a nejority of mederates in Northern relaxed. My job is to deal with the ecurity position so that they will be eble to stand up and speak without being afraid of being dealt with the sort of thing. We find it distanted in the standard same and be a democrat here and a demacorat her

My responsibility is to the sort people in is associating with backed by para-military grot who have arms. That is tim sort man Mr Paisley is, making mockery of the Christianity learnt SIR GEOFFREY de FREIT.

learut. (Kettering, Lab)—Can be confi that neither the Government r government agencies will ag use the word "lovalist" describe organized law-breakers

Northern Ireland? MR REES—I can give an assume on that. It is a self-sy title in most cases.

#### Communications

MR WHITELAW (Fearith imposed silence since I left No ern Ireland. This is the time ab everything else to do everyth we can to communicate to a unjustified fears and exer moderation.

important to make clear to evi-one that nothing that has h said in the Sunningdale agreen or the Constitution Act ing-any sort of surrender of the N-to a united Ireland. Quite

it would be helpful to ever in Northern Ireland if now m Northern Ireland it now Paisley would admit what knows to be true: that there be no question of any change the status of Northern Ireland part of the United Kingdom with the consent of the majority of inhabitants.

inhabitants.

MR REES—He is right, a mingdale does not push the per of the North into the South provides under the Constitu Act that the Northern Irel people will decide. They must decide. It cannot be done other way. We will do out besent the message through. He

#### **Problems** in having a summer election

After the business for the week following the Whitson recess was

MR PALMER (Bristol, Northwhe House: As an important decision will soon be taken on the Thure of Concorde, will he 'arrange for a full day's debate hefore any decision is taken? MR SHORT (Newcastle upon Tyne, Central, Lab)—The Government have not reached a decision and are not likely to in the next few weeks. I will bear in mind what be said.

MR MATHER (Esher, C)-Can

lowing last night's extraordinary decision to set up a select committee on MPs' interests, when with he be able to amounce the membership of the committee and how long will they be given to report? MR SHORT—The names will be tabled today and approval sought tomorrow (Friday). It can start work immediately after the Whitsun recess. There was on applichtime in the resolution but the committee were asked to report at the earliest possible moment on matters relating to members' in-

MR TORNEY (Bradford, South, Lab)—Following the BBC programma linking the cause of beart disease with the consumption of ratural foods like hutter, cheese and eggs, most of the netional newspapers—and here I have The Times—carried a full page Unilever advertisement which linked the programme with this advert. I would feel there is somn collusion between Unilever and the BBC.

As it is necessary to bave a shelaration of members' interests, dues he feel there should be a declaration by BBC producers and other executives?

MR SHORT—It will give me "MR SHORT—It will give me great pleasure to refer his words to the Home Secretary.

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#### Price sisters not to be moved to Northern Ireland at present

MIR STALLARD (St Pancras, North, Lab) asked the Home Secretary to make a statement on the Price sisters.

MR ROY JENKINS (Birmingham, Stechford, Lab)—As the House will be eware, the Price sisters were sentenced to life imprisonment and to concurrent sentences of 20 years imprisonment in November, 1973, for their role in the bomb outrages at the Old Balley and elsewhere. They have heen on hunger strikn in Brixton prison since December last.

This action has been a matter of This action has been a matter of This action has been a matter of grave concern not nuly to the medical and other steff at the prison but. I believe, to members on both sides of the House. But the view has long been taken that a prison medical officer would be neglecting the duty laid upon him hy Parliament if he let the health of a prisoner in his charge on bunger strike be endangered without attempting to help.

Accordingly, the decision to

day, May 18.

Although the procedure is commonly described as forcible teeding, it depends in practice on a certain minimal degree of cooperation from the subjects. The medical officers have decided that the degree of non cooperation the sisters had displayed in the previous few days made it daogerous to continue with the teeding at present. The sisters remain under cloce medical supervision and will continue to receive all possible care and attention.

MR STALLARD—I am in ho way condonlog crimes committed. day, May 18.

MR STALLARD—I am in ho way condonlog crimes committed, hut on grounds of humanity and compassion—(Conservative protests)—and for some security reasons does be believe that these prisoners should he transferred to Northern Ireland? (Conservative shouts of "No".) Many transfers have taken place from Northern Ireland to this country and there are precedents. are precedents.

Distress and bardship is Inflicted unnecessarily on the rel-atives of these prisoners. Is it to be Home Office policy to allow

hunger striking prisoners to die rather than force feeding them in British prisons? Will Mr Jenkins reconsider, in the name of human-ity and compassion and for some security reasons, transferring them back to Northern Ireland to com-plete their sentences?

MR JENKINS—On his point: Is it now Home Office policy to allow prisoners to die rather than force teed? The decision is, has been, and should he a matter of medical indement. This is not subject to

direction from me or from the

allowing and they must take to consequences. (Cheers and proteins involved in continuing both tays in the first part of his onestion. There are considerable difficulties about the whole proteins in a letter which was widely cooling teep this matter under review, the mand when, in the course of a few months, a decision on transfer to any evert, I would consider it on a combination of compassion and security considerations, heving to weigh both together.

But I do not think that, at the present time, in present time, in present time, in present time, in present time in present time in present time.

But I do not think that, at the present time. In present circumstances, I could add to the burdens of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland by asking him to accept them in Northern Ireland in the state of affairs there. (Cheers.) AIR LANE (Camb

appreciate the difficulty of the decisions he has to take in these questions. We surport the spirit of what he said in the last sentence

Will Mr Jenkius make it clear this case, would be say that this is that he will not be influenced by a distasteful procedure for doctors any coercion and that in any and prison officers who have to derision on when, whether, and where to more the Price sisters, the paramount consideration must be security? (Conservative

MR JENKINS—I bute made clear that I will have regard to legitimate, compassionats and security considerations, but I do not think it could be right for any Home Secretary to decide the disposition of prisoners under

MR KERR (Hounslow, Fetham and Heston, Lab)—In a metter as politically sensitive as this it is dangerous to leave the power decision exclusively in medical

MR JENKINS-Decisions about movement of prisoders are not, of course, in medical hands but the decision whether to give computsory feeding or not most be a modical judgment. I would resi-tate, even if it were possible, to say that any layman should issue

MR BEITH (Bernick upon Tweed, Li-The majority in this country consider that Mr Jenkins has a down to enture that the Bridsh public its protected from the Price sisters. Their interest in being in Iroland should have been

that if people refuse to take food the in orders, that is their benefit and they must take the contributions, (Cheers and pro-

MRS RENEE SHORT (Wolver-hampion, North-East, Lab)—I do not conjone anything which these

not consone anything which these two girls have done, but as a reforming and compassionate Rome Secretary does like Jenkins not think that forced feeding thou'd be hamshed from the prison system? Over 20 years ago we were force feeding the suffragette; and we are still doing it tooks. Irrespective of pressure about

administer lt. MR JENKINS Of course it is a distateful process and proceeding. Nobody is in the slightest doubt about that. The onestion at issue is whether the alternative is not still more difficult to accept.

As I have indicated, I am willing to look at the broader question of compulsory feeding. ueshood of compaisory feeding.
The reason I am answering this
ueshood is not because forced
reding is continuing, but because
this temporarily costed. In the House of Lurds after the statement on the Price sisters, LORD BROCKWAY (Lab) said

The Government must consider the effect if anything happens to these girls in worsening the terrible siruation which there alruady exists in Northern Ireland. I shall be visiting these two girls tonight and I will then urge upon them to end their hunger strike because it is much more desirable that they should live for the Ireland they want than die

HARSHAM of MARYLEBONE—Many of us feet strongly that this was an abomi-nable crime for which they were heing in Iroland snould have been thought of when they first came there. (Cheers.)

An increasing number of us are don't. There is a strong desire by doubtful about the whole force feeding process and would like to maintained.

The following Acts received the Regal Ascent: The Consolidated Fund (Namber 3), Independent Broadcasting Authority, Rabies, Contingencies Fund, Barclan's

Royal Assent

# Farmers guarantees

asked the Atinister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food to make a statement on the future of the Intervention Board.

Intervention Board.

ARR FEART (Workington.
Lab)—Under the provisions of saction 6 of the European Communities Act, 1972, the Intervention Board is charged with certain functions in respect of the United Kingdom's obligations under the EEC common agriculture policy. The board will continue to fulfill this subject to any charges which this subject to any charges which may occur as a result of renegotia-

her marren—It is necoming increasingly clear that the Intervention Board system in this country is ineffective. Many farmers in this country would prefer to go hack to the guarantees. .NR PEART—I am aware wheo I have met farmers and representatives of the industry that they would much prefer the old system—the guarantee system which I am proud to say was hasically introduced by the first Labour Government after the war and which did work well. Inter-vention is not working in Europe.

vention is not working in Europe.

AIR HOOLEY (Sheffield, Heeley, Lab)—This beaf ice-berg is further evidence, if any was needed, of the lunary of the common agriculture policy. (Labour cheers.) Would be be willing to take the opportunity of asking the new President of France and new Chancellor of Germany to exercise their un-Germany to exercise their un doubted economic talents to reform this policy and return, it possible, to the British system of

MR PEART—The Foreign Secretary has stated we would like the ceform the CAP. Very soon he will be making a major statement to the Council of Ministers and will spell our proposals out MR TOMLINSON (Meriden, Lab)—A substantial number of farmers in my constituency are urging me to urgs the minister to consider the return to deficie-

gnaranteed prices?

nev navments AIR PEART—Many tarmers do want to go back to the guarantee system. It did work well. MR PAUL DEAN (North Somer-set. C)—Would Mr Peart recog-nize that when he was last in office he did command some conf-agreefully office he did command some couldeded among farmers generally. What worries farmers more than anything is that he is not prepared in support the advantages which are available under EEC arrangements. Equally ba is not prepared to put anything in its place. Farmers are losing confidence in him which they had before because they think he is falling between two stools. between two stools.

MR PEART—He has made a fair point. I have recognized that there is disquiet about an in-between policy. They are con-corned about the absence of sup-port they thought they would have hed in the Community. They feel I should clearly state the restriction of Contingencies Fond, Barcian's should clearly state the position of the Government. That is why we Kingdon Foncerance and General Foncerance and General Foncerance Linear State of the NFU.

# want to go back to

MR MARTEN (Banbury, C)

MR FITT (Belfast, West, SDLP) said there existed in Ulster

homes and from going to work. leaders were fascist buily boys. Retired people could not get their pensions or mothers their family allowances.

His own daughter, a musse, had told him that people were existing on pain-killing drugs because operations could not take place because of fears about the lack of power. Lives could be lost.

For 54 years extremists had hischnafied British governments in the knowledge that none of these administrations would confront them. But now that challenge must be noteepted.

You can do what you like with the Sunningdale egreement (he said.) You can feed it to the people in one reespoonfal or two but they will reject it.

Mr Rees had made n misleading and irresponsible statement when be said that MPs had set up a provisional government and were issuing ration hooks from that provisional government. He challenged him to name the members of that provisional government and say where the books were printed and who issued them. If there was one he should arrest its members because they were acting illegally, it was slander to say that they came to Wesminster and drew salaries but were members of a

The REV IAN PAISLEY (North Antrim, UUUC) said most people could say whitcher or in Northern Ireland were opposed to the British Parliament setting Northern Ireland in the direction of unlification with Southern Ireland.

You can do what you like with the Sunmingdale egreement (he sunmingdale egreement (he council and Leador of the council and Leador of t MR SHORT, Lord Presidenthe Council and Leader of House (Newcastle apon Tecntral; Lab); said those leading strike, had not been elected by people of Northern Ireland. I were persons who had taken law into their own hands. The mass no justification for treathern as representatives of maily opinion in Northern Ireland. It was no fustification for treathern as representatives of maily opinion in Northern Ireland. It was not true, as Mr Pal had said, that the Council Ireland had been set up. Be that could happen, and podevolved to it, the approval of Assembly—the elected forum

Assembly—the elected forum government in Northern Irelai was needed. and it can be hardly expected put its policies to the electorat five months.

.The purpose in Northern Ire. was to encourage and en-moderate people to stand up be counted. We will oever surder (he said) and allow ourse to be coerced or bombed sorrender to the demands of men of violence.

Westminster MPs from U-were leaders. But (he said) are standing aside and we Northern Ireland degenera Northern Instant degeneration of the second sections that why do they not go back Northern Ireland and lead country towards peace and reditation?

### Inquiry into pay and conditions o nurses to start after holiday

paid by the monopoly employer might or might not have fallen behind an acceptable level.

the nurses.
Unless they proceed on such a footing (he said) it is difficult to see how we can lay any secure foundation for a sensible pay policy in the NHS.

ment for proceeding to sholish the Pay Board. But It was in that context that nurses were on the march and felt more bitter than ar eny time in memory. This was a measure of thu dangers and inadequacies of a rigid pay policy. Nurses, under a statutory prices and incomes policy, had fallen lamentably behind.

Imentably beduad.

They bad heen treated as students but exploited as cheap labour because the system of education for which nurses had been pleading for years had out been

She had inharited a mood of despair. The nurses were the first to agree that they did not want to see a free-for-all. The Government asked for a little time to think

The Government would not seek to fetter its findings in any way. Shu was discussing with the staff side thu precise terms of reference and composition of the committee in incurrence.

The Government wanted the Ine Government wanted the inquiry to report as quickly as possible compatible with the study in depth which the turses wanted. Lord Halsbury had told her ha could get down to work immediately after the Whitsun holiday and he was satisfied the inquiry would not have to be unduly prolonged.

would not have to be unduly prolonged:

We are on our way (she said) to a solution of the nurses' difficulties, and I give them this added assurance. The intreases in pay which flow from the inquiry will be backdated to my announcement today. (Labour cheers.)

The nurses could have faith in The surses comin have rann in this Government whatever they had experienced under any other. Their arrears of pay under Stage Three would be coming fate their pockets by the end of this month. Nurses were bound to benefit shortly from the threshold-provi

As soon as the retail prices index figure rose to 7 per cent above the October 1973 figure they would antomatically get an extra 40p a week and another 40p for every 1 per cent increase in the

increases in the cost of Hving and would enable them to improve their position.

Physiotherapists, radiographers, dieticians, chiropodists and occupational therapists would also benefit from the findings of the review. It was intended that the results of the inquiry for nurses should be applied to those of the professions supplementary to medicine whose pay had been tradictionally fluked with that of nurses and she proposed to discass with those concerned how that could less be arrisered.

If the Prices BIII received Royal Accounts he the grand of Ture the

unsocial hours.

DR WINSTANLEY (
Grove, L) said shortages tend
snowball. Once a bospital he
short of our or two nurs
became much shorter of them
. One girl (he said) with los
ate training is left exer
responsibility over a ward at
and goes bome or her day
often weeping with nerve
fatigue, and sometimes does
go back at all because a
trightened of her job.

go hack at all bed frightened of her job. MR WILLIAM HAMO (Central Fife, Lab) said every the NHS began they had sa service they deserved. The were at fault for tolerain conditions under which they

DR OWEN, Under Secrets

For the lower paid nurses that Health (Plymonth, Devolution of the considerably more than Lab), said the established up with ery for implementing increases in the cost of fiving and mended increases in the a net incomes and practice ex of general deutal practitions The department had a

This would represent P. on account roughly equivaled an increase of 10 per an increase of 10 per care practice payments. The lir ment in respect of Anril, all lime would be made next. The monthly until a revised and fees was introduced. best be achieved.

If the Prices Bill received Royel monthly until a revised and assent by the and of June, the fees was introduced.

Government would expect to abol. House adjourned, 19 19 µm.

### Compulsory use of car belts wanted by end of 1975

House of Lords

LORD HARRIS of GREENWICH, Minister of State, Home
Office, moving the second reading of the Read Traffic Bill, said it would take a sustained effort to the second reading of the Read Traffic Bill, said it would take a sustained effort to the second reading of the Read Traffic Bill, said it would take a sustained effort to the second reading about further improvement.

The most striking casualty reduction would come if everyone were a seat belt in his car. It was estimated that this would save 1,000 lives and 10,000 sectous initiates every year. In Australia and other countries, laws had been introduced to make the wearing of seat belts compulsory and the Australian experiment had the Australian experiment had by hoth sides of industry. The Secretary of State for the Environment was having further discussions about rural transport proh-

Ithe power to han stopping of vehicles near urban junctions had been dropped in this BlH as it would have given rise to a number of practical problems. Proposals allowing people under 21 to be trained for driving heavy goods rehicles were still heing reviewed. It was a scandal that in 1972 of the 2.500,000 fixed penalty park-ing notices is ued in England and Wales payment had been made in

only two only after police inquiries. In 1973, over a million offenders escaped nayment. The Bill provided for charges in procedure so The Government viewed introduction of the owner Hability scheme es essential to arrest the decline in the enforcement of the

A second group of clauses had as their principal objective to reduce casualties and promote reduce casualties and promote deaths and 90,000 injuries on the committee stage, the Government reads every sear, a vigorous road lead penalty system.

ing of seat belts compulsory and the Australian experiment had shown that the law was compiled with to a considerable extent.

According to quinton polls, the overwhelming majority of the car using population in Britain had been convinced by the publicity on the value of seat helts and would comply with an obligation to wear comply with an obligation to west them. But he feared that publicity

by itself would not significantly raise the oumber who habitually raise the oumber who habitually wore seat belts.

Therefore if a clause in the Bill was accepted by Parliament, the Government intended to go ahead with consultations about the necessary exemptions and other aspects with a view to implementing the provision by the end of 1975. The Government were convinced that this was right.

Parking on verges and foctways was a nuisance which should be controlled but the han in the Bill was confined to urhan roads and allowed local discretion for exceptions where necessary as well as for emergencies and other special cases.

which would ban the sale and fitting of defective components. This was a problem which received some nublicing less year in connexion with the sale of tyres which were not suitable for use at high speads. Action would be taken to store this practice. The Home Secretary had given careful consideration to the consideration to the Consideration to the Government considered were in the best interests of penal

in the best interests of penal The removal of imprisonment on summary conviction for all road traffic offences except driving wallst disqualified was not welcomed in all quarters and espe-cially not by the Magistrates' Association and the Justices Clerks Society but on this occasion the Government had felt unable to accept their advice. LORD MOWBRAY end STOUR-

TON (C) said that besically he welcomed the Bill, certainly the welcomed the EIII, certainly too seat beits clause. On the proposal dealing with "sleeping police-men"—humps in the road to cause urivers to reduce speed— there might be a danger in ky zed more might be a danger in icy acd snowy weather which signs, were covered up. This could be particu-larly dangerous for motor-cyclists and also to fire engines, ambu-lances and public service vehicles going about their duties at high speed. The Brit was read a second time.
The Rabies Eill and the lade-pendent Breadcastine Authority Bill were read the find time and

Pessed,
The Land Tenure Reform (Scot-

must be forthcoming. LORD GARDINER said be had become a student to see how it worked. Nobody should drain of becoming a student unless they had the entire support of their family became otherwise it was hopeless. Courses: did interrupt home life.

except for a massive archimetral arrow by hor.

Before the university stated to the saked to do a ordinal report of the frankfirty, rightlifty and cost. The figure he arrived at was special analysis time; below the actual cost, but he did not bluth with sname about this.

in Waiting, said the total grant for the targe years 1974, 1975 and 1976 was \$33.6m. The Open University had asked for the grant to be reised in 1975-76 to allow to be relead in 1975-76 to allow more students to be admitted and provide for the expansion of courses. The Secretary of State had undertaken to consider this request in the light of other educational priorities and in the course of Gorerumant expenditure generally. Even with a massive injection of extra finance, the university could not attenue to that as the potential students. The Open University had won section at home and absord and they were leading the world. The Covernment were resolved to build on its nacross. Covernment were resolved build on its success:

### Building on success of the Open University

LADY LEE of ASHERIDGE
(Lab), aslang whether the Government had any proposals on the future work and progress of the Gran University, raid it seemed almost incredible that for the year 1975 only 3,000 new students were going to be accepted and over 30,000 applicable turned away.

What kind of madness was this?

The Open University could do more for the physically bandicarded that all the other universities put together. More money must be forthroming.

LORD GOODMAN and the Open University might not have sur-vived on its road to fruiten except for a massive arithmetical

about the situation and to move towards the creation of machinery House adjourned, 3.38 gm.

#### Government will never be bombed into surrender On the motion for the fortnight

Whitsun adjournment.

CAPTAIN ORR | South Down,
UUUC) said it would seem odd to
the people of Ulster thet Parisament were proposing to take a fortnight's boliday while they bad no clear indication of the Government's intentions. The general strike was but one step from civil

MR WEST (Fermanagh and South Tyrone, DUUC) said Northern Ireland was likely to come to a halt this weekend. It was dangerous for the House to adjourn and leave the Province in this position.

noday the most dangerous situation, since 1920. A band of vinelected people calling themselves the Loypeuple canning intenserves the Loy-alist Ulster Workers were holding a whole community to ransom. There was more hardship and hearthreak in Ulster than he had There was note hardship and salaries but were members of a government in Northern Irelay was needed.

Armed bands of fascist thugs thought the strike untimely but he enting them from leaving them from leaving them from going to work. They had made clear that they was needed.

Why, it was asked, did executive blackmanding people, previously the strike untimely but he enting them from leaving their incinuation by Mr. Fit that the at Westminster decided the life homes and from going to work. They had salaries but were fascist bully boys.

# leage must be accepted. Tals Government (be said) will strike did not have the support of most of the people in Northern they have, particularly the British Army. They must go noto the majority in Northern Ireland, power stations to generate the energy needed. There is no need be a disaster. If a referendum of the whole . If a referendum of the whole . The motion was agreed to.

SIR GBOFFREY HOWE (East Sorrey, C), initiating a debate on National Health Service pay, said the object was to impress upon the Secretary of State—in was sure that in her case it was not necessary—the urgency of some aspects of the problem in the nursing profession; to make plain outsidn the Bruse that the feeling of urgency was shared by all sides with problem. In the new situation she lo forward to being able to claims. The Government had considered the problem urgently. They had as to how they might be as to how they might be as to how they might be and conditions of work of nurses and midules into the pay, and cooditions of work of nurses and midules in the doctors' and density in the first review hody, would be chair-into the problem urgently. They had as to how they might be anything the orderly grownly into the pay, and cooditions of work of nurses and midules in the doctors' and density in the statutory pay control july.

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The House would be arxious to know the response of the Government to the repeated request of the nursing profession for an ndependent inquiry. On the vexed question of agency nurses, the agencies did not employ more than about 2.9 percent in the whole health service. And they did provide an indicator of bow far the standard of payers with the trip measured employer.

nehmd an acceptable level.

The Government had erred already in not adopting the relativities procedure. They would make a grave mistake in abolishing the Pay Board. They would errenter if they did not announce a review of the kind requested by the nurses.

MRS BARBARA CASTLE, Sucretary of State for Social Services (Blackburn, Lab), said Sir Geoffrey bad attacked the Govern-

plesting for years that our been worked out.

The Government intended to introduce legislation in the next session to make the implementation of the Briggs Committee report on the training of nurses a

She would say to the nul
"Call off your action becaus
say to you—you are no k
being played along".

MR MONEY (Inswich, C); the nursing profession worke longest hours of any of the c professions and were worst ! unsocial hours.

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#### Return of a scandal

Parade

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William Mann

Soma aspects of this pro-duction look to be deliberately controversial, for instance William Cochran's Laca,

swarthy, rather elderly make-up, burly and clumsy, as against

The TV Times responsible for trapping me into Wednesday's mindless dramatic fandangle

claims that the play was about a girl who "lives in a fantasy world of trying to become a great woman pilot like her beroine Amy Johnson".

Well, I bave news for the TV Times and, I would suspect, for

the play's author, too: if you are working in a London store, and if you bear the voice of Amy Johnson telling you to go

Jennifer Phillips's sour state-

ment on people as sex objects

begins with art student Milly on

a Mediterranean sun roof, expos-

ing her breasts to men so thar

she and her friend Sarah need

Soon the girls are jointly paint-ing Milly's husband Rob (Michael Scholes), who is first

alarmed at heing made to pose nude then affronted hecause in bacchic frenzy they tear the canvas containing his imageo.

Five years later we find Sarab consummating the Leshian mar-

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not pay for dinner.

John Percival Problem : is it better to leave a

Problem: is it better to leave a work like Parade, which owed so much to the period and circumstances of its creation, as an antry in the history books, or to put it on stage again? My answer would be, if so historic a work is capable of revival, to try it, even if the results prove disappointing as in this new production by Festival Ballet.

The original production in 1917 brought Satie and Picasso into ballet for the first time. Their contributions can be reproduced closely, although some details of the costumes have had to he restored by guesswork. Both composer and designer went on to better things but their confidently cheerful irreverence survives. cheerful irreverence survives. Cocteau's scenario of circus characters busking to attract customers into their booth seems dreadfully thin, but this may be partly because his independent-minded collaborators would not

revival (as in a recent one for the Joffrey Ballet in New York) be has altered his choreograpby from what it was : partly because he cannot remember the original, he cannot remember the original, partly in the hope of improving it. Can it be that be has "improved" his own former role of the Chinese conjurer almost out of existence? It is hard to imagine him giving himself such a meagre part as Kerrison Cooke is allowed: a few slow jumps, and the pretended swallowing and retrieval of an egg.

number, with a reprise in the auticlimactic finale.

Massine states that in this

Certainly the little American girl (what odd participants this circus has!) has lost the convulsive leaps described in contemporary accounts of the Diaghiley production. All that remains is production. All that remains is her Perils of Pauline mime, which Carole Hill does engag-ingly. The star of the show actually is a disreputable panto borse with a flair for ragtime, who has all the funmest steps.

nothing happens except for each sal in 1 of the cast in turn doing their replaced.

his half-brother. Steva, presented by Gregory Dempsey as a whimsical gnome. Mr Cochran's

characterization ought not to work in the context of the drama,

and be sings the music with a rough barsh quality, sometimes unsteady of pitch. Yet by the third acr this singer and pro-ducer have made a true hero ont

up on to the roof of same and bung yourself off, and if you then proceed to act upon this en-

gaging advice, you are not living in a fautas; world, you are what

we call a schizophrenic, which is

we call a schizophrenic, wolch is a condition that cannot be cured, nor even by lady phorographers who tell you to snap our of ir and go ro Australia for a wonderful new

life where you will stop jumping

off things.

So was what we saw simply a ropey play about schizophrenia?

No, because Neil Kennedy did not understand that that was

what was wrong with his beroine. He thought be was writing a play about the escape into ego-fantasy by a female

—it has to be her; Sarab does not like childreo—and hoping

Milly does not enjoy it too much.

At the final curtain Milly and Sarah's old flame Jimmy look like embarking on a hetero-sexual relationship; and though

Jimmy has iostigated the scheme by frankly admitting that what he wants is a housekeeper. Rnbert Lloyd's performance sug-

gests that the relationship may

tery are unknowingly brought to hed with each other; and Miss

Phillips's plotting is complemented by dialogue in which abortion is dismissed as "no

worse than having a tooth out?

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of this unpleasing vokel.

First given in Paris while France was at war, Parade caused a scandal. It was balled variously as the first realist, the first surrealist and the first cubist ballet. Nowadays it must be judged for its historic interest or its comic moments. On either account It evokes respect rather than entbusiasm.

The programme last night also included three familiar works, all with new casts. Francesca Zumbo from the Paris Opéra made her London debut in the Corsair pas de deux with Patrice Bart: strong technique, great entbusiasm, some eccentric choreographic touches. In Piage de Lumière, Maina Gielgud's steely technique and sensitive phrasing, Kelvin Coe's robust technique and Dudley von Log-caphurg's wholehearted sense genburg's whole-hearted sense of drama did everything possible for this silly story of butterflies and convicts.

Both Paul Clarke in the title

part of Witch Boy and David Long as the preacher adopt This horse was intended to make up far more sinister than managers " who aunounce the various turns, but his superstructure fell off at the dress rebearsal in 1917 and was never replaced.

stands out in the first act (though many will miss Otakar Kraus whose property this role used to be; Edith Coates is similarly missed as the Grannie, though Heather Begg's imper-sonation has great dramatic and vocal virtues), Anne Pashley'a vivid Karolka in the last act. Army Shuard, as the pious murderess of her grandchild, steadfastly subdues all charm of this unpleasing yokel.

Mr Cochran is new to the cast, as is Wendy Fine's Jenufa, as pretty girl, truculant and affected at first, more affecting and lovable afterwards. Clear English enunciation is not ber strong point, and the change of register from chest to mixed voice is beavily managed. But the voice is powerful and, when warmed up, appreciable in tenderness and passion.

Richard Van Allau's Foreman and warmth (a glimmer creeps into ber voice when she mentions the newborn baby) from her personality and yet makes a sympathetic figure of the Kostelnička, particularly in her personal manularity before the grand monologue before the murder, splendidly sung. The bero of the evening was Cbarles Mackerras who projected Janacek's score with tireless vitality and meaning.

Walter Mitty, so it was partly a ropey play about that. But only partly, because somewhere along the way, and it might have been quite an interesting way if Mr Kennedy had stuck to this simple theme. he decided to pull a fearful coup de television and ler us believe that it really was Amy Johnson's ghost who was acting as spirit guide to bis luckless beroine. Which is why, having hopped aboard ber jet to start afresh among dingo and jumhuck, she anded up lost mysteriously at sea, piloted thither by a Captain Tobuson.

So that it was partly a ropey play about things that go bump in the night, too.

doesn'r move, rhen takes a sauna ro recover from the journey.".
Not all the text has this directness; nor, I suspect, has the director Suoo Wilson becn at pains to clarify the shifting halance of relationships, So the impact is sometimes blunted. Inama Dunham could perhaps give greater savagery to Sarah's domineering outbursts: other wise she and Polly Adams give a rich account of the coquetry and the sniping—both ageing painfully henestb the burden of their However, this is not characteristic. The first act comes close sensual warfare. to offering us one of those Restoration scenes in which a married couple intent on adul-John Halle's set nicely reflects

the pervading perversity by obliging people on a roof to loo! up to others supposedly on the ground. There was deserved applause on Wednesday for Adam Shand Kydd and Christopher Pike when like contingers they produced a London jurers they produced a London flat from beneath Mr Halle's riage by biring an Italian green-and a bushand goes twice a week grocer to sire a child upon Milly to a gym "to ride a hicycle that

# Seafarers

The Last Detail (x) Columbia.

Shaftesbury Avenue

The Dove (a) ABC,

Shaftesbury Avenue

Callan (a) Universal

Busting (x)I Escaped from Devil's Island (x)

London Pavilion. Cinecenta and New Victoria

"The general obscenity and hlasphemy of shiphoard life have gone almost uprecorded", wrete Herman Wouk rather prissily in his introduction to The Coine Mutiny Phodd years ago. sily in his introduction to The Caine Mutiny 20-odd years ago.

This good-bumoured Billingsgate is largely monotonous and not significant, mere verbal punctuation of a sort, and its appearance in print annoys some readers.

The relentlessly scatological dialogue of Hal Ashby's splendid new film The Last Detail more than makes up for Wouk's reticence; there are no "exple-tives" or "characterizations" deleted from this script. Moredeleted from this script. Moreover it is about the lower-deck
victims of Wouk's pompous
naval officer heroes, and one in
particular—a naive, 18-year-old
kleptomaniac who has heen sentenced to eight years in a gnastly
marine-administered prison for
stealing S40 from a collection stealing S40 from a collection box for the favourite charity of his CO's wife. a Mrs Queeg no doubt.

Ordered to escort the hapless Ordered to escort the hapless lad oo the five-day journey from a oaral base in Virginia to the Brig in New Hampsbire are two bard-boiled, long-service petty officers, one the rough, explosive Billy "Ead-Ass" Buddusky (Jack Nicbolson), the other a cautious black Southerner (Otis Young) who has found a home Young) who has found a home in the navy. Loathing their assignment and touched hoth by their prisoner's innoceoce and his imminent incarceration, they set out to give him a good time on the way. As they pass

they set out to give him a good time on the way. As they pass along the frozen eastern seahoard stopping over at Washington, New York and Boston, they visit the hoy's deserted home, take him to a brothel to relieve him of his virginity, get drunk in hotels, fight, picnic in the snow on a deserted common, swap confidences and rail against the world. The result is rather like On the Town re-written by James Jones. ten by James Jones.

Except for one rather uneasy scene in which the trio are taken up by some well-beeled mantra-channing Manhattan hippies, Ashby and screenwriter Robert Towne move with that sprightly confidence we have come to expect of the new young American film-makers. And the American film-makers. And the acting is superh, not only by Nichnison, Young and Randy Ouade (the prisoner), but also Clifton James (so good in Kid Bhic and the last Bond film) as the overweight, gruffly decent senior petty officer who despatches them from Virginia at the beginning, and Michael Moriarty as the lean, victous, insecure marine lieutenant who receives the prisoner at the receives the prisoner at the end. Beneath the grini faialism end. Beneath the grim fatalism there is something rather sentimental, as there usually is in American studies of male comradeship and the mystique of service life. Ultimately too it is all a little closer to the conformist society of Wouk's navy than one might like (this comes out most explicitly in the hippie scene). It lacks the bitter insights of Charles Wood's play. Prisoner and Escort, part of his 1963 trilogy Cockade, where a British soldier is being conducted across England by military policemen. Nevertheless I found The Last Detail funny, sad and affecting, and recommend it highly.

If every Fitzpatrick Traveltalk was laid sunset to dawn around tha world, the result could scarcely he more tedious than The Dove, in which Joseph Bottoms impersonates the 17-year-old Los Angeles schoolboy Robin Lee Graham who spent five years circumnavigating the globe single-handed. The story drifts aimlessly along, never engaging us in the immediate adventure or the ultimate quest, as Kon Ichikawa did so unforas Kon Ichikawa did so unfor-gettably in his similar Alone on the Pacific. When, after more than three years at sea and an

bour into the picture, the first real hazards appear, director Charles Jarrott treats them with the same limp hand he used on the air-crash in Lost Horizon. The point when Graham goes temporarily insane, gots a touch of the Crowhursts and sets fire to his boat should have been terrifying. But it hasa't heen hullt up to and so goes for nothing. nothing.

Far too much time is spent over the remance between Graham and his future wife, a Graham and his future wife, a rich pseudo-dropout who follows him from Fiji to Ecuador. She is about the most tiresoma upper-class American girl since Daisy Buchanan, and is, I sbould have thought, the kind of woman who sends men down to the sea io ships. From time to time there are satirical interludes at the expense of exploitative travel journalists, which in the context of The Dove seems singularly illindged.

Callan is a spin-off from the Thames TV series and if it spins in your direction the wise thins to do is duck. Edward Woodward repeats his role as the eponymous lower-class anti-hero, a sad sadist with scruples, who is employed by a snooty British iotelligence chief to bump off coemies of the State. Callan is a two-dimensional character, one dimeosion haviog been borrowed from Fleming's omoi-competent Bood, the other from Le Carré's downbeat, dirty-raincoated, double-crossed Leamas. Like all those he ancounters, be is an those he ancounters, be is an oddly camp figure.

oddly camp figure.

In this particular yaro, the self-pityiog Callao is assigned to kill a German businessman, though he won't carry out the execution until he discovers that the intended victim is a guoronoer, an occupation revealed by the presence in a carefully concealed wall-safe of a scrapbook containing press-cuttings about terrorist atrocities. The film's only consistent feature is its lack of cooviction, and tarely do Callao's creator lames Mitdo Callao's creator James Mit-chell and director Don Sharp chell and director Don Sharp manage to generate any tension or excitement. I hope never again to see in the same month two car chases as feeble as Sharp's and the one in Tony Richardson's Dead Cert. That Callon manages to get an A retrificate while depictiog a deal of physical violence (iocluding a death and much mayhem by a death and much mayhem by karate chops) is a recognition nor of restraint or subtlety but

After Callan, even a mediocre

American thriller like Busting

can make one grateful for the conventional professionalism of Writer director Hollywood. Peter Hyams keeps his implausihle fable moving at quite a clip and shows real flair in his handling of a running gun-fight hetween the cops and four dopepushers along the night streets of Los Angeles and through a crowded supermarket. Having said that, I must add that this latest contribution to the current police movie cycle is a pretty silly, nasty and confused picture. Robert Blake and Elliott Gould play dedicated vice-squad detectives who spend their harassing prostitutes, homosexuals and drug-peddlers, and finally dispense altogether with legal niceties wheo senior police corruption prevents them from nailing Mr Big through normal channels. They are supposed to be a pair of quirky, lovable crusaders, but they come across to a British audience as more SA than LA, less Batman and Rohin than Horst Wessel and Adolf. Accompanying Busting is I

Escaped from Devil's Island, a cheap exploitation picture, rapidly cobbled together by tha Corman Company in evident anticipation of the hig budget Papillon creating a demand for another gruelling slice of life among the lifers in French Guiana 50 years ago. Thia sleazy quickie is rather like the scrapings from Papillon's lush but unlovely chrysalis and tells a remarkably similar story. The twist is to cast the brawny hlack actor Jim Brown as a convicted murderer who forces a political prisoner to join an escape scheme in order that the fugascheme in order toat the rigatives can use Communist underground contacts once they get free. What we have bere is an incredible tale of human eodurance. The endurance I refer to is of course that of any refer to is of course that of any normal spectator who manages to sit through this melange of banality, brutality and buggery without following the prisoners' example and clobbering the nearest watchful usberette and then bolting for the exit.

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#### Do probation officers have a right to shield clients?

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Mr Justice Snaw, who on Monday sentenced Mrs Brenda Godfrey to three years' prubation for the manslaughter of her daughter, Lisa, asked that an inquiry he made into the reasons for the silence of Mrs Margaret Bellville, the probation officer, who had been responsible for fic sopervision of Mrs Godfrey at the time of the behr's death. Commenting on Airs Bell-ville's claim to a privilege of sileuce on matters which had when place between herself and her client, Mr justice Shaw "The sooner she is disabused of the idea that slie, or any person under her care, is emitted to claim such a privi-lege the better.

The sooner she decides it is her duty to convey to the responsible authorities what she discovera as to the conduct of a person on probation io relation ta a child, the more likely it is that tragedies of this kind will become fewer."

The judge said he would not uccessarily criticize the handling of the case, but it seemed that "something fell short of what there might have heen".

No hard and fast rules exist on what a probation officer should tell the courts or the police. The individual officer has usually to treat each case as he thinks fit. The one clear directive in the probation aer-vice handbook is that an officer must give eridence to the police if murder is involved.

A probation officer legally is no more and no less duty couod to report a crime than any other member of the public. Until a few years ago mispriston (concealmout) of a felony was an offence. Now only misorising of freason remains on the statute

Probation officers often furn a bilod eye to minor offences by the person under their supervision. Mr Donald Bell, general secretary of the National Association of Probation Officers (Napo), sees the role of the probation officer as half-way hetween that of a social

worker and a policeman. Each probation officer has to work out for himself how he is going to define that role, he says. He cited the case of a pro-bation officer who was told by the offeoder he was supervising that he had stolen a car. The that he had stolen a car. The probation officer, instead of going straight to the police, persuaded the offender after much discussion, to tell him where the car was ood to hand over the keys. The officer went to the place where the car was, stopped a passing panda car, and gave the police the keys, telling them that the car had been stolen and was being returned.

The matter went co farther. Mr Clive Soley, a probation officer and press officer for the Inner London Napo says that if the probation service is to work successfully "we must put a very, very great emphasis on the confidentiality of the officer and his clienr. Unless the officer is able to gain the full confi-dence and trust of the client, he will not be able to change the behaviour of the offender, not only the offender, but society too, will suffer."

Mr William Beaumont, of the

report it is transcives. "It is not our jet to do police detective work", he says. "Most of us would be very rejectant to inform on clients, especially behind their backs."

The situation became especially vexed where a probation officer suspected strongly thet an offeoce had heep committed but did not have any proof. "A chap might come to you and say 'Look at my new watch', and you know he hasn't the money to buy one. Yet you don't know enough to teil the police. My personal line would be to try to ger nim to own up himself." he said.

Some propation officers take this line even in quite serious cases. Goe officer, who preferred to remain anonymous, said one of his clients had come to him or his chemis had come to him while on the run from the police. He was wanted for having open involved in a bettle fight in which his opposeot had nearly died. The prohation ufficer decided out to tell the police, but after months of discussion be finally persuaded the man to give himself up. give himself up.

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Mr A. Joseph Brayshaw, sec-retary of the Magistrates' Associatioo, maintains, however, that "a probation officer is a social worker of the courts and unless the law provides otherwise is under an obligation to help the courts".

Mr Michael Hogan, chief prohation and after-care inspector at the Home Office, agrees with the majority of probation officers that the extent to which an officer should take the initiative in telling the police is a matter of professional discretion. "But where the offender is iovolved in a grave affair, then clearly the officer's responsibility as an official public servant of the courts means that he has to make it known to his chief officer, and he will then take legal advice."

Mrs Bellville, it is understood, took the advice of the Inner London Napo solicitors when she claimed privilege of con-fidentiality and silence.

Io law there is no absolute privilege of confidentiality except for lawyers and their clients.

Contrary to public belief, the privilege does not ex-tend to a doctor and his patient, a priest and his penitent, a journalist and his contact or to the probation officer and his client in practice, however, there are few cases where a judge will insist on such a confidential relationship being breached. The London horough of Lam-eth, the Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham Area Health Authority (Teaching) and the Inner London Probation and After-Care Committee announ ced that they have agreed to set up a committee to inquire into and report upon the coordination of services for the prevention and management of cases of non-accidental injury to children and in particular the lessons to be learnt from the case of Lisa Godfrey". There will be an independent chairman and the Department of Social Services and the Home Office are to anooior assessors. Their report will be published.



#### Can we handle modern medicines?

A high street chemist describes doctors' prescribing habits as "diabolical".

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#### **Bernard Levin**

# Hear, hear ... those are my sentiments exactly

At the news that the proposed visit to the Coliseum Theatre of the Bolshoi Eallet was to go ahead as planned with performances starting on June 2 a considerable volume of protest

First to denounce the project was as was only to he expected, Mr Eric setter (Annister of State for Indusry). Speaking in his coostitueocy, ue first gave the background to the protest : the Soviet authorities' deliberate policy of attempting to destroy-professionally, artistically and mentally-Valery and Galina Panov, two of the Soviet Union's most gifted hallet dancers, merely hecause they had expressed a wish to leave the Soviet Union. "Dismissed from the company instantly", said Mr Heffer,
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on the part of the Panous, but because they wish to leave the Soviet Union

and live elsewhere." That was fine stuff; but Mr Heffer's Labour colleague, Mr Frank Allaun, went even Jurther. "The other day", he said in a prepared statement, "I belped to organize the han on an ancient tradition in West-minster Abbey—the annual laying of a wreath on the tomb of Lord Cochrane, who in the nineteenth century helped to develop the Chilean navyin protest against what is happening in Chile. I also helped to ensure that the party at the Chilean Embassy was boycotted by all members of our Government. Now, of course, I intend to take exactly parallal action in the case of the Bolshoi's visit—though the scale of the oppression by the two regimes is wholly dispropor-tionate, the crimes and tyrannies of the Soviet empire heing thousands of times worse and more numerous. I shall denounce any of my colleaguee who attend the performances or any function connected with them; nay, more—I will move heaven and earth to get the entire visit cancelled. Lord Harewood ought to be ashamed of himsell, and if he is not I lotend to make him so. This is the least I can do; I could not rest easy if I thought that inaction on my part in this case, following my action in the other, might give risa to the wholly unjustified allegation that I was nothing hetter than a hypocrite."

Miss Joan Lestor, Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, made much the same point in moving terma. "It has been said of socialism", she declared, "that it is a moral crusade or it is nothing. Cer

indeed that is why I was largely instrumental in ensuring that the British runty team should be denied all hospitality by the British Embassy in South Airica after they went ahead with their tour of that country despite the Government's dsapprnval. Now, obviously, political morality cannot apply in right-wing circumstances only to he suspended in left-wing

ones. I could certainly not remain a member of this Government if it were to show any kind of favour, even the harest official courtesies (which were, after all, denied to the British footballers in South Africa) in connexion with the Bolshoi Ballet visit, But I am quite sure that I shall not need to resign: the Labour Government will be united in its resolute refusal thus to condune Soviet

Asked if he intended to take any action against the Bolshoi season, Mr Peter Hain, the well-known campaigner against visits by South Air-can aports teams, said: "Of course can aports reams, said. Of course i do—do you suppose I only denounce right-wing tyranny white condoning the left-wing kind? I shall he organizing demonstrations, protests, marches—the whole programme that I followed in the case of the South African cricketers. If the Bolshoi season goes ahead nevertheless, I shall be on the pavement outside the Coliseum Theatre every night of it, handing out leaflets denouncing Soviet tyranny—especially racialist tyranny—and making sura that every person intending to join the audience knows exactly what he or she is condoning."

Mr Hugh Scanlon, president of tha

engineers' uplon, said that he was going to propose to his Executive an industrial ban on all work done by their members at the Collseum. "We do not, of course", he said, "have many members at the theatre. Still, we do have a few, and they are in crucial jobs. How do you suppose I would feel—I, who played so large a part in the campaign to stop work on Rolls-Royce engines for Chile—if the Bolshoi visit went ahead with the aid of my members' work? I would feel like some kind of odious fellow-traveller."

traveller."
Mrs Indith Hart, Minister for Over-Mrs Judith Hart, Minister for Overseas Development, mak much the same line. "The tour must be hanned", she said. "No doubt some members of the Labour Party disagree: no doubt, for that matter, some members of the Labour Party would be willing to appear on the platform at Communist Party rallies, to proclaim their admiration for the Morning Star, and indeed to follow to proclaim their admiration for the Morning Star, and indeed to follow the Communist Party line pretty consistently. So be it; but nobody shall level such accusations at me. The Soviet authorities must be told, politely but unambiguously, that their dancers, wonderful though they are are not welcome here while their fellowartists ere being so shamefully persecuted at home."

Mr Hugh Jenkins, Minister for the Arts, has, of course, a particular responsibility in these matters. His attiponsibility in these matters. Als attribute was also quite unequivocal. "Not only", he said, "do I think the visit should be abandoned, but if it goes alread I shall certainly not attend either the performances or any kind of party, whether given by the Soviet authorities at, say, their Embassy, or by the Sadler's Wells organization at the College or elsewhere or course) by the Foreign Office other Government authority here yen seriously imagine", he went np the caviar and champagne v the Panovs were slowly rotting death? It would turn to ashes in mouth. No, you may take it the will have no truck whatever with. coverament to insist that it be co

Pinally, the Poreign Secretary James Callaghan, broke his silence the subject—and broke it to purpose. "In 1970", be said, " sisted so far as it lay within sisted so far as it lay within power, that the invitation to the S. African cricketers to play here she withdrawn. I now take the attitude to the Bolshoi Ballet. On occasion: I referred in statiog conclusions I had come to to cansiderations as 'the divisive e on the community', 'race relainshin this country', 'the positic the police' and other matters water equally relevant, in exactly same way, to the ballet visit. I not now give anyone the right to the a dissembler, a sonbist, a shull a turncoat, a Pecksniff, a do dealer, a poseur, a oueck e france. a turnicat, a Pecksniff, a do dealer, a paseur, a ouack, e fran Fiarisee, a twister, a rectimer four-flusher. The invitation to Bolshoi Ballet must be withdra (None of the statements above actually made, None of the particulate in the particulate of the pastion or taken up any such position indeed publicly criticized or itoned the visit of the Bolshoi B at nll. It is perhaps worth words why not.)

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#### Mr Fulbright and the Arkansas game of musical chairs

More than half a million dol-lars is currently being poured into Arkansas politics. It is an extraordinary sum for what is an under populated state and one of the poorest in the union.

It is even more extraordioary that most of it is coming from hankers as well as liberals in an effort to save Secator J. William Fulbright in next Tuesday's

The Hustrious Democrat's Senate seat is in jeopardy after 30 years, and with it his chairmanship of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. But many more dominoes could fall, or at least be shifted, if he loses. Hence all the money; heoce a story of political nusical chairs that to observers is at last pro-viding a distraction from Water-

gate.

It all comes about because Senator Fullright is up for relection this year. His is a safe Democratic seat, But unlike the way some British party satraps may go on for ever, it is not his to keep. The primary election system forces party voters to elect their candidate and ensures each sitting member a challenge inside his own party. The winner goes forward to a election against secondary " other party candidates at the general election.

This time everyone agrees that Mr Fulbright, aged 69, is up against it. His challenger, Mr Dale Bumpers, the eloquenr 48year-old governor, is running a vigorous campaign. His message: it is time young bucks were in Reports of local polls place him well anead of Mr Fui-

hright.
This prospect has rallied hankers to Mr Fulhright's aid. Not because they like him; rhe re-verse is more likely. It is because what might happen to the chair-manship of the Senate Banking Committee. There is a corresponding panic among the for-eign policy barons of the State Department and White House at what could happen to the chair of the Foreign Pelations Com-

mittee. Secator John Sparkman, coo-servative old Democrat of Alabama is charman of the Banking Committee. He is also number two to Mr Fulbright on the Foreign Relations Commit-

opening of the Alexandra Palace Grass Ski Centre", said the organizers, "provides Lon-doners with another exciting

you do not have to wait for it

Not that winter sking at

Alexandra Palace takes place on snow: the slopes that have been

used hitherto are clad in ugly plastic spikes called Dry Snow.

On the prastic you use standard skis, but for grass there are two rarieties of equipment

from which to choose. Both

resemble omsize roller-skates

attached to surgical books, but where the Rollka grass skis ruo

on plastic rollers, the Grilsons

resemble caterpillar tractors

with tracks running on hall-races. The Grilsons make a

Grass ski-ing became popular

in Germaoy, and was introduced

in Britain four years ago. It is,

therefore, not really a new

sport, and some of the practi-

tioners who displayed their skills on Wednesday were

Some of the young people involved still sported the chapted bronzing of their cinter inclideys. A West Indian

steel hand was in attendance

but it was too cold and duli for

them to play. Most reporters heat a hasty retreat to the club-house bar and ignored loud-

speaker pleas to come out and watch, but Monty Modlyn had a go for the henefit of the tele-

of the ski slopes.

to socis.



ally, so, if he wants it—and rum-our has it that Mr Sparkman would like to serve our his time with the prestige of international he could have the Foreign Relations post

- In that event, the number two on the Banking Committee, Sen-ator William Proxmire, would move into that chair. It is this prospect that scares the bankers. Mr Proximire, a noted foe of wasteful spending, particularly at the Pentagon, could be expected to breathe new life into regulatory agencies controlling the

By contrast, the foreign policy-makers would be happy with Mr Sparkman—whom they feel would be a tonic after Mr Ful-hright's occasional recalcitrance. They also say Mr Proxmire would be good for bankers. Hawever, assuming than Mr Fulbright is defeated and that Mr Sparkman stays put in the bankers chair, what then? Next in line for the Foreign Relatioos joh woold be Senator Mike Mansfield, the majority leader. He would have to give up the

his quixotic notions of foreign policy—pulling ont troops from Europe and praising Prince Sibanouk to the skies—would he a further worry to the policy makers. Yer they concede it would ha

even worse were Mr Mansfield to hold onro the leadership (which is likely) and pass tha chairmanship down the line to the next most senior member, Senator Frank Church of Idaho. Mr Church, also up for re-election this year, is an unusual liberal in a heavily conservative State. But in rhia year of Wateron Wednesday morning some On Wednesday morning some of thase "nightmares" will be resolved into reality or fancy. Mr Fulbright, whose name will live long for the postwar generation both for the Fulbright scholarships and his opposition to the Vietnam war, may yet spring a surprise. All the dominoes might then stay in place, but few in Arkansas seem to be putting any money on it. putting any money on it.

Fred Emery

### Venice, the romantic city of industrial development

Signor Giorgio Longo, the Mayor of Venice, resents the foreign press. He believes that he is misunderstood and much maligned. Certainly he is misunderstood. understood. Whatever happens in the murky corridors of the hureaucracy in Rome and Venice, one thing is clear. The mayor is a romantic, but not only about the Venice of Cana-

"The port was here before the palaces", he said the other evening over dinner in the Lido. "The port must continue." His eyes gleamed through that heavy horn-rimmed spectacles.

He was obviously carried away by a private vision of Venice rivalling Rotterdam as Europe's greatest port. Already it handles 70,000 ton tankers, for which a new channel has been dredged, and place are afont to double the size of the existing port-and industrial areas.

Signor Longo exuded excitement at the thought of a new autostrada connecting Venice, with Munich. It would reduce travelling time between the two cities to less than four hours, and would obviously attract more goods traffic as well as

Of course, he added bitterly, of course, he added outside Germany and Austria the conservationists were object. Germany and Austria the inging simply because the auto African interior without being ing simply because the auto African interior without being ing simply because the auto-control of the control of the contro strada would ruin some pretty countryside. If they had their way the road would terminate in Yugoslavia, and a great deal of craffic would he lost to the free world.

Then he brightened at the thought of the reopening of the Suez Canal. Venice was the natural port for trade to the Middle East and heyond. Peace in the Middle East would bring hoom conditions to Venice. Earlier that day I had visited thar Venice where few tourists venture, the port and industrial plants at Marghera, There a port fficial had pointed with pride to the new wherves and the jet-ties for the roll-on and roll-off trucks.
The juggernauts would come

roaring down that new auto-strada from Munich, roll straight on to the waiting transports and then sail off to Benghazi, Alexandria, Cairo, Suez, Jidda, Aden, Mogadiscio and Zanzibar, Goods could be delivered from Italy,

The petro-chemical plant does look beautifulin a certain light and at a distance but, and this is a big... but, it does pollute the

Germany and Austria to the escape for flood water.

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automated sile, a granary which looked hig enough to feed all the starving peasants of India. Large grain carriers from North America were being unloaded in less than 24 hours.

Ar the same time huge lorries

and trailers bound for Germany and Austria were being loaded with disinfected grain within minutes. These complicated operations and much else were controlled by two men working at consols in an air-conditioned

Let there be so doubt about it, this is rollabilitic. It is part of the romance that made Venica great in the first place. The petro-chemical plant does look beautiful in a certain light.

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is a very large but, it politice the atmosphere, they do not build palaces

I put this to rha mayor, he naturally agreed that Ve must be saved. He was, all, a Venetian, and not a tou \_ He was now cooperating, the international campaign restore those splendours, one condition was that restored palaces should ser nseful purpose. They she

He was alive to the challe

of saving Venice from sini into the lagoon, although I could be done at present. could be done at present, level of the oceans was rieverywhere. Nothing could done to prevent the moven of the ocean hed, but the lof the water table could be served. This was being done

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The mayor's eyes audde darkeued. The foreign press no longer the main ene Apparently planning permiss had heen delayed. For inext able reasons meetings of various authorities had not b

There was a general mut ing round the table about Ital inefficiency, and then the atm phere lightened. Perhaps r alleged inefficiency would s Venice. It could, but I wo nondepead upon it. The fore press and other interes-groups must remain as vigil as ever, even if ir does mean t Signor Longo, Mayar of Ven remains a misunderstood maligned man.

Louis Her

### The Times Diary

#### Rolling down the warm, green grass leisure pursuit". Grass sking has the obvious advantage that



Two reoders submitted pictures this notice to my competition for confusing or ambiguous rood signs. The one I have chosen was taken by Adrian Bower of Birkenheod. More next weekand the lists are still open. whirring rartle as they run, which makes them more excit ing then the disappointingly husbed Rollkas.

#### Junk

Among the first phrases my young son learned to say was "junk mail". We would receive much of it, hecause a couple of doctors used in live in our house and were constantly heing canvassed ahout the merits of clearly proficient already, as they tratomed inelogantly down 100 yards of hillside. Others wonder drugs. That has stopped now, but we still get those odd 100 yards of hillside. Others missives teiling us that we have managed to fall over four or already won a \$10,000 Mercedes. five times, in the best traditions and would we like to claim it, ves or no? (There is only one safe answer to that question.) That is why, when the Post Office invited me to see a film on the subject, I hurried along. It turned out, though, to be not strictly relevant to my particular concern, heing about how cap-tains of industry could hest in-form other captains of industry about the merits of their product by sending promotional gim-micks through the mail to their

a better advertising medium than newspapers or television. I told one of the Post Office people that it seemed odd to be advertising for more customers for the postal service, when it seemed to he on the verge of collapse in London, where letters take several days to arrive. That, he said, was due to unoffi-cial industrial action in two London dapots and did not affect mail posted in the provinces where much direct mail advertising originates.

It was a funny and well-made film, but I can hardly be expecred to enthuse over it, seing how it knocked the rival media. People tended to hang curtains during television commercials, it said, and nobody read the advertisements in The Times, which they hought simply for the crossword. In fact, it is scientifically proven that the feature which attracts most people to The Times is modesty forhids....

#### No pictures

What used to he the Hulton publishing empire launched a new enterprise vesterday. Pere-grine Worsthorne, the editorial director of Sir Edward Holton's new quarterly International Review, thought it was appropriate that the ceremonies took place in the Marie Antoinette room of the Ritz.

Certainly the first issue has traditional and dated format. looks like the house magazine of one of the staidest hanks and contains a condemnation of the

détente between tha United States and tha Sovier Union, along with other pieces of right-wing analysis in foreign affairs. Worsthorne, developing his Marie Antoinette theme, emphasized how brave Hulton was to he launching a new quarteriv at a time like this. This idea was reiterated so constantly that it was clear everyone expected Hulton to lose money on the

Project.
Worsthorne thought the format would have to be bright-ened. As it is the Review is en incongruously dry publication to incorporate, as the title page, says, the famons name of Picture Post. There are no pictures ex-cept small portraits of some of

#### Irony

Since he was deposed by an inside coup last November, Greek dictator George Papadop-oulos, seriously depressed, had refused to venture outside the spacious seaside villa rented rom Aristotle Onassis. last month friends and relations induced him to forget his hermitage for a trip to Strophades, a privately-owned groop of lnsh islets off Western Greece, on a 10-day shooting expedition.

Rough seas on the way hack forced the party to use an Olympic Airways belicopter, which deposited them on the western coast at a quiet township. Local crowds gathered to watch. When the ex-President was recognized there were hoos and catcalls. Shocked, the ex-dictator complained to his companions: Those were the same people who showered me with rosa patals the last time I was here ".

The latest of the political lanel buttons proliferating in Wash-ington reads: NOBODY'S PER-FECT. AGNEW-EAGLETON



Koli on

One effect of our being in Europe is that MPs can, if they have nothing better to do, immerse themselves in shoals of documents on topies of amazing obscurity. One recent set doled out at the Vote Office has been on the controversial issue of carnation leaf-rollers.

These pests—for such they are come in two nationalities: South African rollers and the Mediterranean rollers crisis over them arose hecause a proposed community directive would prohibit member states from placing an absolute ban on the import of carnations with roller-contaminated leaves; as they are presently empowered

There is, therefore, a serious danger of uncontrolled leaf-

rolling among carnations, in swift action is taken. The E-pean Commission has therei proposed a new directiva, calling eight articles and 11 ambular paragraphs, which the effect of requiring memi to control the dreaded rol "The 'production' of ca-tions", says the direct in Community agricultur And who wants a carnation t

#### Thunderer

a rolled-leaf?

Basil Dean began telling ac first play in 1908 and foone had to direct it as well. He 19 then, so it was a man in mid-eighties who had a he welcome when he made a prise after-lunch speech du the conference of the Cou

"He looks a gentle old inow", said a young executive the Thorndike Theatre, whosted the conference. App. Dean's speech, which pla havoc with the conference n table, coupled advice to the directors with a keen thrus the new National Theatre.
"Den't be misled",
thundered, "by that electry
palace now being built on South Bank of the Thames. for your own theatre." He down to general applause an an approving smile from daughter, sitting next to him

Reflections on impermant are prompted by two books ingremaindered at a shor the Strand. One is Quotations of Liu Shat (10p) and the other The Ti Guide to the Industrial B tions Act (£1.75).

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# Three communities' mood of cooperation augurs well

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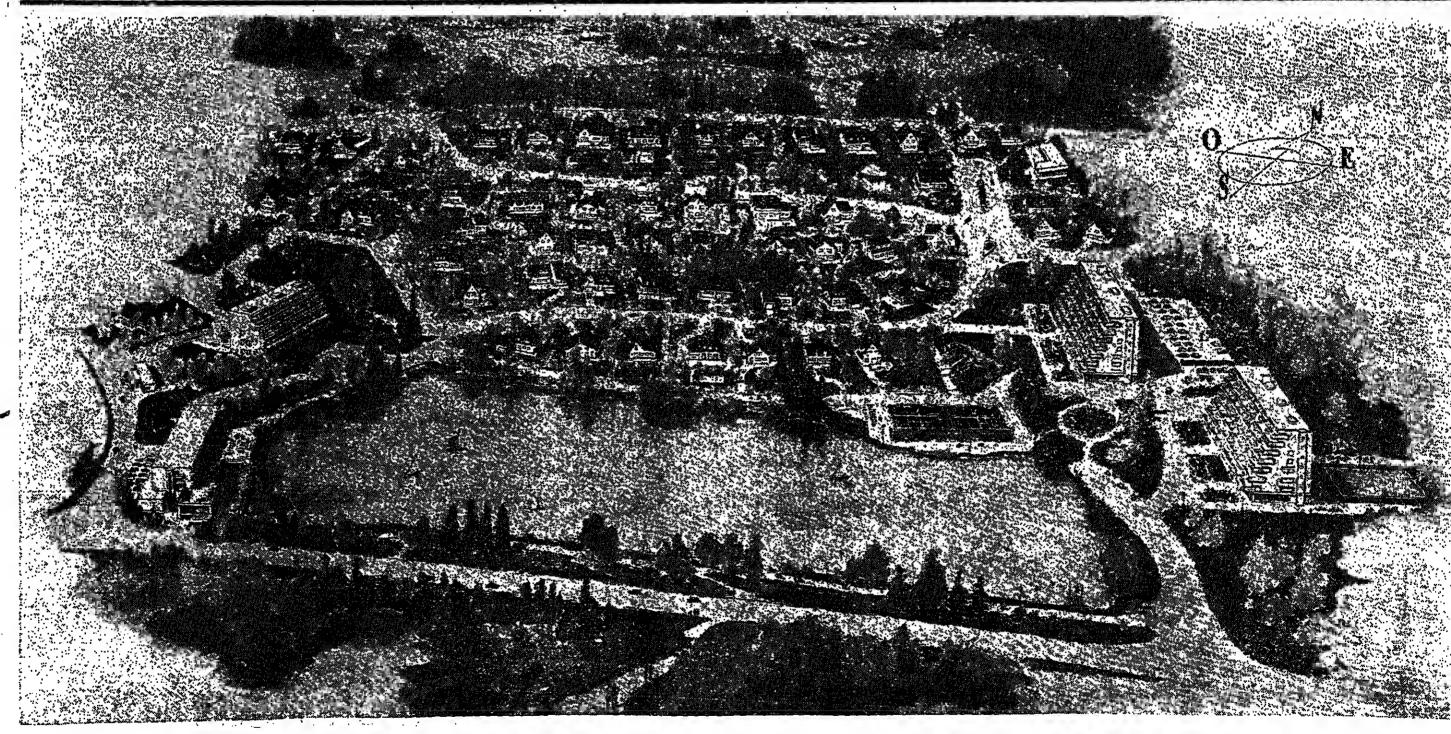


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by David Cross

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### Limburg: rural region wants its mines

# West Flanders: youth eager for change

West Flanders is better known for its wide, sandy beaches and for the beauty of Bruges than for its industrial potential. But do not be deceived by the placid charms of the Minnewater or the cud-chewing cows on the flat landscape. The province is on the move, with almost half of its million inhabitants aged under 30 and eager for change.

The province lies a little

The province lies a little outside the golden triangle formed by Antwerp, Gent and Brussels, and has not quite shared the enormous rise in prosperity that its neighbours have enjoyed since the early 1960s. Farm-

lost value. Thousands more commute to Antwerp, Gent or Brussels, adding up to three hours of travelling. time to each working day. The Westhoek in particular has net offered enough incentives for men to develop and use high skills. Women have trouble finding even onskilled jobs in their home districts and are unwilling to

tier to Kortrijk from Lille, the contrast between the neat Flemish houses and the that West Flanders lacks for anything. None the less by 1970 the average net income stood at 42,900 Belgian francs per capita compared ootably low strike record. but there was a good deal of discentent et the low share ef the fat national cake.

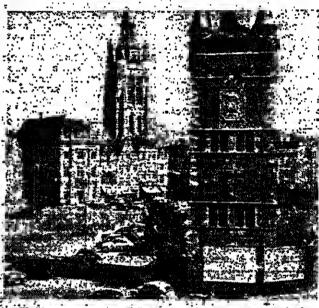
Diksmuide, Ostende and Tielt, all except Tielt lying in the Westhoek. These towns lie in areas of high ocal opportunities.

since the early 1966s. Farming lingered as the main occupation, especially in the area of the old battlefields— of interest free or reduced—Ypres (Ieper), Menes, Pas, sendale—known locally as the Westhoek.

Many of the Wasthoek people work across the frontier in France, though the towards the extension, recurrently or modernization interest-free advances for prodocing

> capital find their efforts most Br give haphazard results has been which may not best corre opment spond to local need. The Bruges. West Flemish Economic The p Council works closely with local authorities to rational ize development schemes.

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main square and belitry at Kortrijk, one of the

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Other regions of Belgium ment at Ventue, and Westi.

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The province states dimentations for food processing.

They are mostly after the decline. The industry was lebour-intensive firms, especially those which are likely firms which could not keep the could not keep up with outside competition

carpets on the new Fielt in assets as a growth centre, as dustrial estate. Daikin it is well placed near the E3 ment et Ostende. Brit-skirts at Heole Kunrae has "Hexagon Machines bright lights, music and foun-

Bruges.

The province waits diver-centre for food processing, sified industry, but the main including caulle fodder, branches of employment Roeselare, Kortrijk and remain traditionally textiles, Bruges all have new industrial zones. Though they do (mostly furnituse) and food not quality for maximum Leather shoemaking was a government oid, they benefit

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with money from provincial states or local rates, and a state subsidy. They too are jealous of their autonomy and privileges. Their schools are officially neutral but are in fact Catholic in strongly Catholicarias.

Indeed the strands of Belgian education—Cetholic or "free", state or "official", provincial or communal—meant that the 1958 past led in practice to an emormously involved and expensive structure plagued by duplication, overlapping and lumbering clumsy administration. Into the bargain Brussels has become an important special case as the French-speakers of the city—Bheve overflowed into the surrounding Flemish communes and have demanded French-language schools for their children.

The system, thaugh complex, is not fluid. It is hard for a child educated in Cathols are staffed by pluralist schools falling as Catholic percents have fewer children. As the idea and have fewer children. As the idea for indivision and a minority of schools resources and leads to unseemly canvassing for recruits.

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#### Feminist movement gains foreign investments! growing support

The Napeleonic code that made millions of women on the Continent chartels of their menfolk still leaves its traces in Belgium, though it has evolved there as in other European countries. Two ether influences have also prevented women from gaining full equality: the conservatism of the Roman servatism of the Roman Catholic Church and the fact hat most Belgian did not ask for more. Only a small minority complained of injustice. But in the past few years a merement has grown—most of it spontaneous and in-coordinated—that is intant

on making women realize they are underprivilegad. The European Commission agrees that in the economic agrees that in the economic which they have used to secter they are—but not mere discourage information on than most other European family planning, and the sale working women. Article 119 of the pill (used only by of the Rome Treaty pledges seven out of every 100 Belegial pay for equal work, gian women), as well as but the Commission acknow—other forms of contraceptive.

but the Commission acknow other forms of contraceptive.

A recent report pressed for the EEC by Professor Effane. Vogel of Brussels that ince last year Dr Willy Peers of typical Belgian working Namur was arrested for typical Belgian working doing abortions, though be is with two children, and is employed in industry or in a obstetrician. The event women out of three have had no technical training and the third, who has, is probably in a post below her qualifications.

Differentials in wages

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tions and uninterested in woman's hands. The party what they are doing.

On the other hand 3,000 officially campaigned against resuble starts in schools are not mark voting patterns he where girls and hove are cause, as a young militan as a causely in the Roman Catholic told me, "there is no cially in the Roman Catholic progressive party io Belsthouls. Belgium bas some at progressive party io Belsthouls. Belgium bas some at progressive party io Belsthouls. Belgium bas some at progressive curties world's finest technical simm, but e progressive curties in all parties." In gentent in all parties." In gentent in all parties. In g

November, 1972, Germaine Greer and Simone de Beauvoir led a great westers rally in Brussels, in which they deplored the country's Catholic establishment. The Roman Catholic Church in Belgium s far less criticized from within then Dutch or French Lathelicism, but Louven

stands therapeutic abortions men's power in society are permitted only rarely, through better training, opened abortion is otherwise a portunities, pay and free-crime, for which a doctor dom to plan their families, risks up to 10 years in Others believe that women's prison or 20 yeers' hard struggle is against oppression. Under legislation sors and therefore part of about. Under legislation sors and therefore part of the authorities have wide preparing for the radical cultural loosely defined powers tural transformation of ind-loosely defined powers tural



which they have used to society—possibly even to discourage information on take over power from men, family planning, and the sale or to do without them. The different strands do coincide, especially future revolution, l

Differentials in wages Government which fell last classified unfavourably ment was studying to ment was studying t

which was not surprising as the party had no funds, no radie or television time, and not much help from men. It campaigned only for winen's causes, from equal to refer of the manpay to reform of the mar riage laws. It urged women who preferred to continue in the traditional parties et least to vote for a woman on Belgium's long party lists. The elections are over, but the ferment is likely to con-tinue. Women's movement

Catholicism, but Louvan tinue. Women's movement the University, for example, and groups are appearing all the the Christian Social Parry time, especially among are now thinking a great younger married women—or are now thinking a great younger married women—or are now thinking a great younger married women—or are now thinking a great younger who are are now thinking a great younger married women—or deal about social prablems, working women who are including the woman questired of lukewarm support tion. ion from the trade unions. The inevitably abortion has groups fail roughly into two ecome one of the most conbecome one of the most con- categories. There are those proversial issues. As the law who want women to share in

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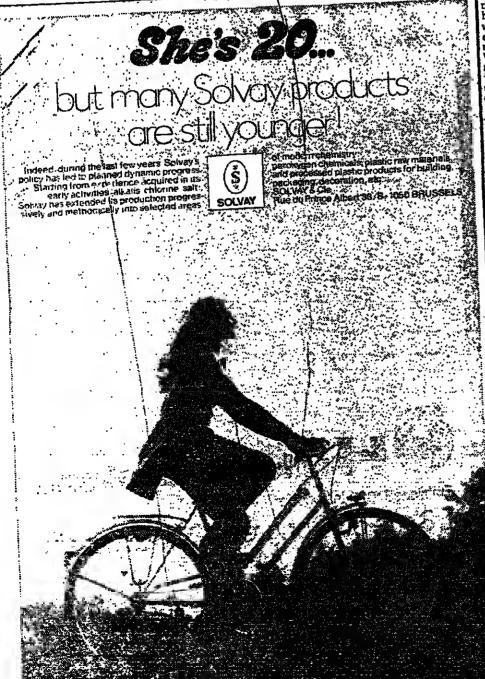
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### Young diplomat drew life from Spaak

by Roger Berthoud

In the Foreign Ministries of the EEC Nine there is, to my knowledge, no single official Ministry. Shortly afterwards with quite the same degree of influence and ubiquity as the Vicomte Etienne Devignon, Director-General for Policical Affairs of the Rel.

Stevie Davignon, as he is known to his many friends, is no *éminence grise*. That would suggest old age and a preference for the background which is wholly alien to him. Davignon is still young—only 42 next October. His place is in the centre of the European stage, and he the European stage, and he

Indeed, whether be is taking the chair at a meeting of the "Davignon" Committee, composed of political directors of the Nine, or playing chairman and host to the energy group sired by to the energy group street by
the Washington energy confereoce in February, it is the
relish which he brings to the
task that strikes his colleagues. As ooe remarked:
"He is the Eddie Merckx of
ioternational diplomacy" [a
refereoce to Belgium's world
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wards political cooperation in crisply summing up a compli-the European Community. cated situation saved so much task therefore fell to

He was soon assigned to keep an eye on the Belgian Congo, theo basically covered by the now defunct Colonial non, Director-General for became lovolved. He congo Political Affairs at the Bel pened to he in the Congo wheo independeoce was granted to 1960. A few days later

> When Rothschild subse quently became Chef de Cabi-net to Spaak be called in Davignon as a specialist on Congolese problems. Less than three years later Davig-non bad riseo to be bead of the Minister's private office at the age of 32. Wheo Spaak left Belgiao politics in 1965 he glarted himself emorphy he adapted himself smoothly to the very different style of Pierre Harmel. In 1969 he took over as bead of the political affairs department, with the rank of ambassador.

To anyone talking to him refereoce to Belgium'a world cycling champion]: a round peg in a round hole.

It is no doubt fortuitous that Belgium was in the chair of the EEC Council of Ministers after the 1969 summit cooference at The Hague had called for a report on the first steps that should be taken towards political cooperation in his adult life. It was, be says, an extraordinary experience. There was a great deal of affection between the statesman and his amusing as well as brilliant young aide, whose eye for wards political cooperation in crisply summing up a complitedious paperwork.



Vicomte Etienne Davignon, the Director-General for Political Affairs at the Belgian Foreign Ministry.

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responsed Community. The task therefore fell to thim.

But it is certainly oof for ruitous that the recommendations of the resulting Davigs on speaks eloquenty sensible and political compon of skill, parison of the resulting Davigs on speaks eloquenty sensible and political colly realistic. Comonon sense was one of the characteristics Davigsono admired most in the lodestar of his professional life—the late Foreign Minister of Belgium and Europeaco founding father, Paul-Heart Spaak.

Without Spaak's influence the young Davigson would almost certainly oot bave remained a diplomat, Although its grandfather had been between 1909 and 1915, and his father ended a distinguished diplomatic career as Ambassador in Berlio from 1936 to 1940. Extenne Davigsono felt that the days of genuine diplomacy were nearly over.

But to please his father, of whom he was very food, the young law yarduate of Louvard of the tellow of the t

not that the big countries "This was the explanation will gang up on the small of the formidable aniagonism between de Gaulle and greements will paralyse the

### Woman writer is most gifted in French school

by Marnix Gijsen

The fast-changing aspects of social life in the past 50 years bave had a deep influence on writing in Flaoders. The perennial fascination with rural life that bam-pered the growth of Flemish letters until 1920 has beed replaced by a more European and cosmopolitan view of the world. American in-flueoce bas been felt in the work of younger writers who succumbed to the lure of Hemingway's cult of the he-man but who profited by his economical style.

The weakness for dialect and localisms disappeared; the margin between Dutch and Flemish literature diminished to the point of being scarcely noticable. The subject matter also changed. The idyllic, sugary or slightly comic picture of life in the villages gare way to the psychological study of middle-class and urban society. Ou the other hand, the voice of the proletariat became audible. An entirely new element is the reflec-tion of the novelists on Belgium's recent colonial past and responsibility.

The grand old man of the generation born before 1900 generation born before 1900 of story-telling in which realis undoubtedly Gerard Wality may give way to unbrischap (born 1898), the most died fantasy and lyrical outstanding writer of bis imagination. Both achieved time. His numerous novels excellent results to this vein liberated Flemish letters and several of their works from narrow provincialism wera made into successful and made him akio to the fikus. best Scandinavian story-tell—L. P. Boon (horn 1912) ers. Although the scene of expresses the standpoint of his books is usually located the anarchistic profetarian in small towns, the action is He is profuse but commiseressentially centred on man, ares with the humblest

Frankly anti-clerical, he ar first created a scandal in Romao Catholic circles which has now completely subsided. The Roothoolt Family and Houtekiet are his outstanding works. They bave aged well for be has a vigorous style and is a

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essentially centred on man, ares with the humblest with sometimes a predilect among men. He has the rare tion for slightly abnormal gift of touching the heart of types.

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1899) as a Belgian since he arif on Simone de Beauvoir. who bas acquired an

and creator of Margret, has never repudiated his Belgian origins.

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#### OCAL INTERESTS

government : the number of inal prosecutions is a measnent not so much of its extent. f the police resources which be devoted to dealing with it. there have been enough nt cases, and evidence of iderable anxiety and to confidence will not be

ired without far more fans and evident safeguards. Sias become one of the mora at tasks in British public life use unless action is taken by it will be all too easy for sm and corruption to feed each other. The report of Redcliffe-Maud committee, was published yesterday, is the way without providing prehensive directions. puts forward a number of

able proposals in three par-ar areas: tightening the rules induct, in the broadest sense, members and officials coving council procedures; streogthening the powers of police in investigation. The mittee would provide more uate guidelines in a variety vays: a national code of conory register, open to inspect by any elector in the area, he financial interests of counors; fuller disclosure of at meetings; and rictions both on the private & undertaken by local auth-y employees and on tha dovment they could eccept in two years after their rement. In addition, the use private gain of information eived through membership or ployment in a local authority ild be made a criminal ence, which would be both a crical deterrent and a strong ication of the importance ched by society to stamping this practice.

Together these measures would · moch to reduce that grey area ere it is not quite clear, even the person concerned, wbether not his behaviour is correct. ere are more cases than is often preciated of people going into al government with the best of rives and then slipping almost perceptibly into corrupt praces because " everybody does it that would be naive.

extremely hard to know just so there cannot be anything wrong widespread corruption is in it." But while it is essential in it". But while it is essential to draw as distinct a line as possible between the proper and the improper there will still be people who choose quite deliberarely to go on the wrong side. How can they be spotted? The committee suggest that the internal organization of the new

authorities under the reorganized system of local government abould make it easier to pick out any malpractices and it makes further proposals for more effective internal monitoring and for the handling of complaints. All that is useful, but no more. The value of such arrangements would depend both upon the willingness of conocils to expose their own culprits and upon those culprits leaving the evidence in the record of the council's proceedings. The inexperienced may do so: the more practised will take greater care. That is wby more importance should be attached to the strengthening of police powers in investigation. Tha report suggests that they should be able to examine the financial records of individuals or organizations who are suspected of having a corrupt relationship with anyone in a local authority, but only "on application by the Director of Public Prosecutions to a judge of the High Court . . . on proof of reasonabla grounds for suspecting a corrupt act".

This recommendation will no doubt ba contentious, as are all proposals for increasing police powers. But his one is justified. To examine the books of whoever is paying the bribe is often the only way of proving corruption. The need is great and the pro-posed safeguard should be adequate protection against abuse. But the police can in practice only investigate those cases of corruption which are brought to them, The weakness of this report is that while it indicates how councils, their members and employ-ees can better discipline themselves, and how the police can deal better with those cases which are drawn to their notice, it holds out little hope that the police will ever get to hear of many more cases than they do at the moment. That would not matter if one could hope that improved self-discipline would be enough, but to suppose

Ir was to fill this gap in the public defences against corruption in local government that The Times recommended in its evidence to the committee the creation of a local government inspectorate under the control of central government and the implementation of the proposal in the Mal-laby report of 1967 on the staffing of local authorities that "mobility of officera between local authorities and other branches of the public sector should be en-couraged. The two suggestions are linked. The people who are most often in a position to know, or to bave reasonable suspicions, that something is amiss in a particular authority are the senior or middle-rank officials. But it takes great conrage, and exceptional self-sacrifice, under present circumstances for a man to speak out in mid career and nut bis livelihood and the welfare of his family in jeopardy—especially when he is not really sure that his

suspicions are justified. What is required is some inde-pendent, authoritative person to wbom a local official can confide his anxieties, and through whom these anxieties could if necessary be passed on either for police investigation or for some other form of inquiry. It is also necessary to be able to offer the beleaguered official another opening in his career so that be need not fear victimization by bis present masters.

A local government inspec-torate and the Mallaby recommendation would together meet thosa needs, as well as contributing to the more efficient administration of local govern-ment. They have not found favour with the Redcliffe-Maud committee. That would not matter if it were offering other persuasive means of filling the gap. But it is not. The report makes it clear that the local ombudsmen will be so bedged round with restrictions that they cannot meet this particular need. Nor is there any reason to suppose that the district auditor will do so in practice, wbatever might be suggested in theory. The most that can be expected as a general rule is that he will pick up any hint provided in the council records. Something more will be required before the public can be satisfied that every reasonable precaution bas been takeo to preserve the integrity of local government.

#### DISMANTLING AN EMPIRE

provisional Portuguese ernment bas lost no time lemonstrating that it is wbolly unitted to dismantling the tuguese empire in Africa and sibly elsewhere. Dr Soares bas licly given the assuranc, that e will be decolonization " and neo-colonialism". That state-it would seem to rule out a si-federal political relationsuch as General Spinola inally suggested-as sugar, it ns now, to coat the pill of bis ica could not be won by mili-· means.

ederalism is a dirty word in ica, and would certainly be ated by African liberation rements with neo-colonialism. ding with strikers demanding e increases in Beira this week, Antonio de Almeida Santos ared them that they would n be governed by their thers, a phrase that suggests t Lisbon is resigned to an indedent black, and perbaps limo controlled, government. levertheless, dismantling great pires peacefully is never any thing to do. The roots of tugal's presence go deep, and mot be ignored by any new ime however nationalistic. ere is reason to think that the wisional government would itate to scrap plans drawn up lier by the junta on behalf of : Armed Forces Movement for orderly transition over a isonable period, and varied in ce to suit local conditions.

in Mozambique the intention is discuss with Frelimo an early

referendum in which the population would choose between total independence and some—possibly only an economic—association with Portugal. For such a referendum to be held in a way that carries conviction the fighting must cease; and if Frelimo is so confident of a majority vote for independence, it is logical that it should accept a ceasefire and pro-ceed to political action. The first part of the plan (which would invert the British approach) is therefore designed to persuade Frelimo to end the war. The ascertaining of the wishes of the majority, in Portuguese thinking.

determines the constitution then to be designed. The next phase would be the installing of a provisional government, presumably multi-racial, to draft a new constitution and draw up registers for a general election. Dr Santos indicated this week that such a new constitution would not be ready until March, 1975, so that the elections for a representative government would follow some time after that. The elected government would need time to run itself in. (On the later British models of decolonization this would be two to three years.) A fully independent Mozambique (assuming that the referendum would produce a majority for independence) might in Portuguese thinking take up to four years to accomplish. This period would give the black leadership time to consider the value of retaining special links with Portugal. There is a possible model in the evolution of the French community held together

by bistorical, cultural and linguistic links. They would also baye time to come to terms with their neighbours, and develop an internal regime that avoids the excesses of black racialismwhich a military conquest Frelimo might not. The chances are, on British experience, that the timetable

would be condensed and the transfer of power less centrolled, certainly if the referendum showed Frelimo to be dominant. It would be too loog for Guinea. But already as expected the Capa Verde islands will complicate the Guinea talks, soon to open in London. The liberation movement, Paige, though it calls itself the party for the independence: of Guinaa and Cape Verde, has little more claim to them than Nigeria would have to St Helena. As the islands have a naval base, Portugal has obligations to Nato that conflict with the tenets of non-aligned pan-Africanism. To get possession of them, Paigc will presumably bave at least to agree to an orderly transition, and possibly accept some such solution as was reached by Britain in Cyprus by the reservation of areas of British aovereignty.

The quicker the African leaders agree to talk about these precticalities, and end the shooting wars, the better. It must be boped that the atmosphere of London, where constitutional conferences have overcome so many problems in the creation of new states in Africa and elsewhere, will be conducive to compromise and the start of new

understandings.

#### udents and free speech

om Professor J. A. Rax , I bapped to be a signatory of tha nied Nations Expert Declaration on e Nature of Race and Race Preju-e. I am deemed undesirable as ao nabitant or visitor in Rhodesia. I ve spent my life fighting racism ainst the secret police in South rica and in what were formerly hish colonies in ....ica.

In Britain I have been in the fore-

oot of the campaign against racial strimination particularly in the here of the allocation of council lusing and in recent years I have where of the allocation of council pusing and in recent years I have ken every opportunity available to e in print and on television and idio to speak out against hir Powell id his like in politics and against hose like Europeic who have prohose like Eysenck who have pro-cuced academically unconvincing ooks which can be used to suppose

Having said all that and hopefully avin; established my credentials as committed and politically active inti-racist. I also irol that it is my duty at this time as an academic eaching in the field of the sociology of race relations to speak out very clearly against the suppression of ceedom of speech which some of our tudents are seeking to impose oo hair unious and sometimes on their lecturers.

Very few of those who are now rampaigning for banning speakers have taken any part at all in recent

years in the fight against racialist policies and actions and by their recant actions they have given prob-ably much sought after publicity to

For my part I feit as I waiched Mr Guinness being screamed down at Portsmouth that the kind of forces of unreason which I opposed in South
Africa were now on the other side.
There is a nasty sound of marching
stormtroopers on some of the campuses today and I believe that if those in posicions similar to my own do oot speak out clearly universities as cautres of enlightenment in an increasingly endarked world will probably cease to exit.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN REX. Department of Sociology, University of Warwick,

Coventry, Warwickshire. May 22.

#### Student grants From Professor Walter Elkan

Sir, The proposed 25 per cent Sir, The proposed 23 per Cent increase in expenditure on students maintenance grants will make some students hetter off, but not all. According in the figures quoted by rour Education Correspondent, local education authorities will be paying committed a year and parante. \$200 million a year and parents whose incomes exceed a certain minimum will be expected to con-tribute £63 million direct to their children. There is, unfortunately, no machinery for ensuring that parents actually do sn and there is much evidence that in many cases they do

Sometimes this is because they have not really understood that by withholding thase contributions they make their children worse off than those from poorer homes who receive the standard mainteneoce grant in full. Sometimes they feel that they simply cannot afford to, and many students are reluctant to request their parents to pay the contribution when they can sae that their pareots are not living in the lep af luxury. It puts them in an invidious and embarrassing situation.

The higher grants will, presum-ably, exacerbate this problem and that leads support to your correspondent Mr Timothy Raison's suggestion (May 16) that students should be able, if they so wish, to supplement their grants by loans on preferential terms. It may well be that it is the students whose grants are supposed to be augmented by their parents who would most eagerly avail themselves of such an opportunity and thus to put themselves on a par with their fellow students from poorer homes who automatically receive the graot in full.

Yours faithfully, WALTER ELKAN, University of Durham. Department of Economics, 23/26 Old Elvet, Durbam.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Treatment of young offenders

From Mrs V. A. Limont

Sir, The priociple of "treating" offenders rather than of "punishing them is desirable, but the re-commendation of the Home Secre-tary's Advisory Council oo the Penal System that committed to borstal or detention centre be replaced by an order for custody and control are 10 be welcomed with cantion.

Such theories, introduced with-out adequate financial resources, could lead to the chaos which now seems to prevail in the treatment of inveoile offenders. In 1969 the Children and Young Persons Act in-troduced treatment of juveniles by way of the care order and removed tha power of the juvenile courts to commit them to approved school.

commit them to approved school.

Unfortuoately, successive governments have been unable to provide the buildings and the social workers required to make the scheme effective and as a result it is falling into disrepute, and inveniles remain at home awaiting assessment for manyweeks after their court appearance, before treatment can begin. If this situation were to occur in the case of all adults under 21 who would otherwise have received custodial sentence, surely the consequences would be grave.

ba grave. Yours faithfully, VALERIE LIMONT,

From Mr Nicholas Hinton

Sir, The Advisory Council on the Peoal System's Report on Young Adult Offeoders and Mr Jenkins's first speech on penal matters sioce be returned to the Homa Office are two major pronouncements which markedly reinforce the policy of the Home Office to cut the prison population by providing more non-custodial methods. Predictably and understandably the probation service expresses coocern

During the last 10 years the service bas bad to extend its work load out of all recognition. To their

traditional prebation duties have been added prison after-care, prison welfare, parole, matrimonial work, and responsibility for alternatives to custody such as community service, day training centres and probation

If the Young Abult Offenders Report is implemented different and additional duties will fall in the service, and the implications of Mr Jenkins's speech would give proba-tion officers the responsibility not only for a massive increase in non-custodial facilities, but also for gain-ing of a frequently intolerant com-munity

musity.

If the probation service is to be the agency which is to carry these vast and varied duries, ir is essential that the service should have access to a far wider range of resources that is now possible. Accommodation from hostels to permanent flats, employment facilities, remedial and educational opportunities, are among the resources that would become necessary on a country-wide basis.

To achieve this the probation ser-

To achieve this the probation service needs, as a matter of some urgency, to be given new and far broader terms of reference—perbaps within the overall context of an agency concerned with the prevention of crime. The success of such an agency will depend ultimately on its links with the community which underlines the importance of including local and national voluntary ing local and national voluntary organizations in the movement towards extending alternatives

Failure to generate the com-munity's support and failure to provide a broad enough context for the work of a renewed probation service can only lead to the backlash of an increasa in the prison population at a social and financial cost we cannot afford. Yours faithfully,

NICHOLAS HINTON,
Director, National Association for
the Care and Resettlement of
Offenders,
125 Kennington Park Road, SE11.

#### Salary levels: a spurious equality

From Mr John E. M. Moore, Con-servative MP for Croydon Central Sir, The politics of envy are destroy-ing our country. The econemic non-sense of Mr Grimond (May 20) and bis egalitarian fellow travellers will beggar us all.

A man does oot "earn" £34,000 a year, He pays £21,771.81 to his fellow citizens in taxes. A man "earning" £2,000 a year pays £233.31 in taxes to his fellow citizens.

What sort of society pillories the former while pandering to the latter? A society which may ha losing its reason while finding instead emotional satisfaction to its rapid decline into poverty; satisfac-tion because that poverty is accompanied by a spurious sense of equality.
Yours faithfully,
JOHN E. M. MOORE,
House of Commons.

May 23.

From Mr Anthony Hunt Sir, The arguments advanced by your correspondents in the debate on salaries and national wealth demonstrate highly developed skills in advocacy and an under-nourished

seose of natural justice. Complex economic arguments should not be used to mask one fundamental fact: there are groups of people in our society who ere inadequately housed, clothed and fed. There are others who seem to be demanding too large a share of the world's goods and services. Who really will pay £1,050 for a pair of silver decanters (page 9 of yester-day's Times)? What is the take-

boine pay of a nurse or e bus driver?

This juxtaposition may be taken by many as e coe for further economic sophistry; but then it took an innocent to realize that the emperor was not wearing any clothes.

ANTHONY HUNT, 45 Vernon Avenue. Woodingdean Brighton, Sussex. May 22.

From Mr I. H. Maxwell

Sir, As one who sbares the views expressed by Mr Grimond, I would say that I have never thought that a reduction in top salaries would do much to improve the lot of the lower psld. Nor, I am sure, does Mr Grimond, Those who, like Mr Withers (May 22), object to the proposition on this ground miss the point of the argumeat.
The problem is one of appearance

The problem is one of appearance rather than substance. It is not in itself very barmful that a small minority should enjoy largely undeserved advantages in pay and kind whila the majority is limited to the less fruitful products of its own direct exertions. The barm arises when the discrepancies begin to jeopardize the goodwill of tha majority, by which we are all of us sostained. SOstaine

So obvious have these discrepancies now become that it is unrealistic to suppose that our

From Mr Christopher Price, Labour

society and economy can be maffec-ted by them. Particularly is this so at a time when many of the lower paid are experiencing great financial hardship and the real merits of the work of noc a few people are con-spicuously under-rewarded. It follows that measures to reduce financial inequalities, starting at the top, are likely to be of use simply for the impression they will create; not for the resources they will release. It is often argued against this

proposition that incentives will suffer and talent will be lost to emigration. and talent will be lost to emigration. I do not agree. I bave never seen any evidence that excess of reward is a necessary incentive for doing any job. As to talent, that Is one commodity which is not in short supply in Britain. It merely waits for the right conditions in which to reveal itself. The few who may go would be easily replaced; most especially so if the organization of industry and the structure of company law were changed in order to pany law were changed in order to eosure that both workers and man-agement were recruited from the

same sources.
I believe, in fact, that only in this latter way are we likely in this country to get management which will solve the great problems mentioned he your correspondent, Mr Dore, in bis letter (May 22), and thus truly merit the take-bome pay it may receive. Yours faithfully,

I. H. Maxwell. 1 New Square, Liocoln's Inn, WC2: May 22.

From Mr G. Teeling-Smith Sir, Jo Grimond's letter and the replies to it have exposed an underlying danger which is becoming increasingly worrying in Britain.

This is the general acceptance that gnods or services sold in the market place can in some meaningful way be "worth" something different from what is actually paid for them. Within the Health Service, some

welfare economists have recently beeo arguing in favour of a concept known as "shadow pricing". Because of their scarcity, we were told at a recent symposium, neuro-surgeons' time should be "shadow pricing". priced" at three or four times what they were actually paid in order to arrive at a "correct" economic cost for the operations which they per-formed. What these economists formed. What these economists had failed to recognize was that, be cause skilled labour is an internal tional commodity, many poreotial NHS neurosurgeous had voted with their feet in favaur of a situation where their value was recognized in terms of real earnings rather than imaginary "shadow prices". The same could quickly happen for British industry if we deinde our-selves that talented managers should work for love rather than money.

Yours faithfully, GEORGE TEELING-SMITH, Director, Office of Health Economics, 162 Regent Street, W1, May 22.

#### Law on euthanasia

MP for Lewisham West Sir, Mr Muggeridge's eccentric conviction that a majority Labour government would herald a change in the law on euthanasia seems to be based, apart from a subtextual fragment of an interview in Canada with Mr Wilson, oo a profound misunderstanding of the events which led to the passing of the Abortion Act in 1967. I wonder whether one who sat through all the stages of the abortion Bill might be allowed to offer e less paranoid and more plausible account of those events

which I bope may set Mr Muggeridge's fears at rest. The Act was oot passed hecause the government wished to "appease its clamanr sbortionist supporters"
It was passed because the Commoos had, for a unique and brief two years, a Leader of the House in the late Richard Crossman, who was convinced that rarliamentary representative democracy should be allowed to operate on the dominant and the second of the dominant control of the dominant control of the dominant control of the second of the s questions of the day and succeeded in persuading the Cabinet of this conviction. It is against democracy rather than abortimusts that Mr Muggeridge should be complaining.

Many of those who worked for the Act were moved by a desire to introduce some equity as between men (who took the decisions) and women (who were forced to acquiesce in them); and between the rich (who had freedom of action) and the poor (who had none). These arguments do not apply to enthanasia. The reform to the abortion law was the result of 30 years of sustained parliamentary pressure from men parliamentary pressure from men and women of all parties; there bas been no similar campaign on euthanasia and support for any ection in Parliament is miouscule. It is true that the Abortion Act has bad the effect of uncovering some chronic and distasteful facts of life—in particular the extreme recallty of a few bighly respected members of the medical profession. There is a Bill to tighten up these abuses before the Huuse at the moment. But there is no justification for their use as part of a scare campaign against the Labour Party. Whether the Muggeridge scare is a ligment of his own, or others' imagination, it is a highly irresponsible one and lacks any basis of fact. Yours truly, CHRISTOPHER PRICE, House of Commens.

#### Effect of British policies in Ulster

From the Reverend R. T. Beckwith Sir, As the situation in Ireland daily grows worse, and civil war gets per-ceptibly nearer, the events there teem to be viewed by most politicians in England with pained surprise, if not with angry impatience. Surely the majority in Ireland wants peace? they ask. Surely people there can appreciate the restraint and imparnality with which Britain has be-haved, and the improvements which its policy has brought about? Why, then, are they still dissatisfied?

As one who has had to pay repeated though brief risits to Ireland of recent years, and has had the opportunity of talking each time with moderate Protestants in the Church of Ireland, I find myself much better able to understand the feelings of the Protestant maintring in Illster than I Protestant majority in Ulster than t was nefore. I write as a mere Engwas nefore. I write as a more eng-lishman, who is beginning to under-stand. But understanding is surely what is most needed in the present situation. So long as these at West-minster yiew events in Ireland with incomprehension, they will make one disastrous miscalculation after another. When the age-old Irish problem

when the age-old frish proflem first regained the attention of Parliament and the prass in recent years, it was through the Civil Rights morement that it did so. The shape of the problem appeared to be the wrongs (real and allegad) of the Catholic contents. minority. Every minority suffers wrongs, as minorities in England (and Eire) know only too well; but the English have an amiable sympathy with the underdog, and it is, of course, always easier to sympathize with someone else's underdog than with one's own.

with one's own.

It does not seem that Parliament has ever progressed beyond seeing the problem as they first saw it, as the need to right the wrongs of the minority. The political links of the Cooservative Party with the predominantly Catholic EEC, and of the Labour Party with the Catholic SOLP, may bave belped to prevent such progress.

such progress.

Even when i. became clear that the Civil Rights movement was serving as a stalking-horse for the IRA, government attitudes did not alter. Right the wrongs of the minority, it was thought, and then the IRA will cease to get the aid and comfort from them without which it cannot continue.

The process of righting wrongs was carried to leogths which oo one before would have dreamed possible. The most exacting legislation against discrimination was required of Stormont, and rapidly began to be implemented. Not only so, but Stermont itself was abolished, and was not reestablished before it had been shoro of nost of its powers.

of most of its powers.

In the meantime direct rule was introduced, on the assumption (already losing its plausibility) that Westminster knows best. The B Specials were disbanded, because they were suspected of not being im-

partial, and the tegular police were disarmed, lest ritey should be tempted to follow suit triey have, of course, had to be re-armed since. Their duties of keeping the IRA in particular the Registrick check were transferred to the British Army, with orders to try to avoid any action which the minority might resent. Even so, the hostility and accusations previously directed at the E Specials and RUC were promptly

E Specials and KUC were promptly transferred to the soldiers.

Add to this that it its coocern to right the wroogs of the utinority the Eritish Government applied to Ulster the most glaring double standards. While other regions of Britain were moving towards a greater measure of self-government, Ulster was moving in the opposite direction. While proportional representawas moving in the opposite direction. While proportional representation was being resisted in England as a mistaken idea, it was imposed on Ulster. While a referendum about joining the EEC was being resisted as uncoostitutional, a referendum about joining Ulster to Eire was actually heid. While majority rule was being treated as an immovable oriocipie in the case of able oriocipie in the case of Rhodesia, majority rule in Ulster was replaced by power-sharing.

And what has been the result? The IRA is more powerful than it bas ever baen before. It has demonstrated that under present policy is

strated that under present policy is can carry out murder and destruction at will, and its total achievements have reached enormous figures. While enduring this for five long years, the Protestant majority because the protestant majority shows been subjected by Westminster to every kind of indignity, and has not even bean given the proper protection which it previously provided for itself. itself.

The Uniooist Party bas been split dnwn the middle by government policy. Mr Faulkocr, Ulster's most able politician, bas been forced into inconsistency and a choice between evils, and has ended up by losing almost all his popular support. And to this situation the British Government talks about pushing on with the establishment of closer links between the Ulster Assembly and the Online Garagnetat, which to this

the Dublin Government, which to this very day bas shrunk from taking any effective action against the IRA whatever.

Is it amazing if the Protestant majority feel as if they are under siege conditions? Is it amazing if the wilder element among them, previously beld in check, bave started taking the law into their own hands and doing foolish and wicked things? Is it amazing if they have the passive sympathy of the population, pushed as it is almost to the point of desperation? These things could never have hatever. tion? These things could never have happened bur for the Government's kid-glove policy towards the IRA (the result of its original one-sided read-

ing of the situation), and might even now fade away automatically if that policy were reversed.
Yours faithfully, R. T. BECKWITH, Warden, Latimer House, 131 Banbury Road, Oxford.

#### Stately homes and tax

on wealth

From Mr Denys E. Bower
Sin, The Duke of Bedford's letter
(May 20) regarding the possible
plight of stately home owners should
be brought home to the politicians

practice where certain family treasures important to the bouse are exempt from death duties. I recall to mind in a Derbyshire bome, oot open to the public, where a fine set of Morland coloured stipple engravings, bought whan published, plus several fine Wright of Derby landscapes, bought from the artist, were thus exempt.

thus exempt.

If a later sale were made these wauld be liable to duty. I believe this practice still continues, and some such exemption should be worked out if the wealth tax comes into force.

This, I venture to suggest, should include important acquisitions and collections made during the lifetime of the present owners and in fact all

the cootents displayed to the pub-lic. Special care will bave to be taken in the matter of who decides what shall be exempt.

days so cripplingly beavy. The point about the pepularity of stately homes and their nearly 50 million foreign visitors each year is oot the fees which owners pocket from them but the vast sums visitors spend on their tours here. If the stately homes in this country are to be broken up by a wealth tax theo large numbers of foreign visitors

foreign currency lost.
I am, Sir, your obedient servant. DENYS E. BOWER,

#### Iran and human rights

From Sir Osmond Williams
Sit, Laudable as many contributions to your Human Rights Supplement in the issue of The Times of May 21 undouhtedly are, and grateful as Amnesty Interoational is to the references to it which some of them centain, the anomaly of the choice of venue for the Congress bas, one must infer, escaped both the International Advertising Association and some, though not all, of those whose articles you publish.

Iran, the host country to the Congress, whosa advertisaments comprise 50 per cent of your Supplement, has, is Amnesty International's view, a record of denial of freedom of exprassion, political imprisonmant

of exprassion, political imprisonmant without fair trial, torture and judicial executien (225 in two years) surpassed by only few of the signatories to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

of Human Rights.

If it is the aim of the IAA to "contribute constructively to solving some of the problems plaguing the world today" it is boped by Annesty International that it will not miss the opportunity, which its Congress affords, of enquiring closely into the veracity of the claims for "long-standing love and affection for standing lore and affection for humanity which Iran, through Prin. cess Ashraf, protests to The Times. Otherwisa; the occasion will surely be open to the charge of bypocrisy? Yours faithfully, OSMOND WILLIAMS, Actiog Chairman, British Section Amnesty International, 55 Theobald's Road, WC1.

#### Raids into Lebanon From the Israeli Ambassador

Sir, Referring to your Beirut Correspondent's report (The Times, May 20) oo Arah allegations that the Israeli planes, raiding terrorist bases in Lebanon, dropped booby-trapped toys and other devices, I hereby categorically deny these allegations. They are vile slander invented by evil minds in order 10 cover up their own cowardly and dastardly acts of terrorism against children, which have been denounced by the entire civilized world.

The only side to use these sigister methods were the Palastinian ter-rorisis who have since 1968, scartered innocuous leeking booby-trapped objects near Israeli schools and public places.

Few stately bonie owners, I fear, would like the local Inspector of Texes to decide, who generally has a long tug of war with the owners as to what shall be allowed for repairs and maintenance, in these days to primilipoly hears.

will not come at all, and this country will be passed over for France with its Chateaux de Loire and German castles of the Rhine, etc. and countless millions of pounds of

Chiddingstone Castle, Near Edenbridge, Kent.

At the same time. I would like to draw your attention to Paul Martio's story from Nabatieh (The Times, May story from Nabatien (The Times, May 18), which appeared on the front page under the headline "No Guerrilla base in Camp raided by Israel". The beadline is contradicted in the story itself—as Martin reports: "a guerrilla leader I met io the camp told me that his men had suffered minimal casualries..."

If Mr Martin failed to find evidence as to the presence of terrorist If Mr Martin failed to find evideoce as to the presence of terrorist bases in the Nabatieh camp, may I refer him to the report on the raid published in the Beirut daily, A Nahar, on May 18 which spacifically mentions tha destruction in the raid of the bases of Al Fatah, A Saiga, the Popular Proof, the Popular Democratic Front and the Amend

lar Democratic Front and the Armed Struggle Front? A Nahar has frequently been quoted by your correspondents as a reliable source. Yours faithfully. GIDEON RAFAEL, Embassy of Israel, 2 Palace Green, W8.

#### Cornish tinners' Parliament From Mr Gershon Ellenbogen Sir. One may readily agree with Pro-

fessor R. R. Peonington (May 23) that "the participants in the Cornist coovocation are to be commended on the care they have taken to act within the confines of the law" (certified the confines of the law). atitude the contract of the faw (certainly their conduct contrasts favourably with that of a Cabinet Minister who in cootemptuous terms criticizes a judge for carrying out his legal duty); but in so far as he suggests that their claim to immunity may be valid, be is surely writing with his tongue in his cheek. tongue in his cheek.

Ever sloce the revolution of 1688. Parliament has been the supremo law-maker. The royal prerogative itself is only "the residue of discrenonary or arbitrary authority, which at any given time is legally left in the bands of the Crown" (Dicey) and it has cootinually been whittled down by statutes which affect it not expressly but by implication. How, then, can a privilege granted by a royal charter of 1508 be effectively invoked against current counterinflation legislation? am. etc.

GERSHON ELLENBOGEN, 4 King's Beach Walk, Temple EC4.

Dinners

of York said grace.

Borth-y-Gest replied, at a bouse dinner held last night to mark the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Athenaeum. The Archbisbop

Loriners' Company Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips were present at a dinner at the Mansion House last night

Victoria Cross and George Cross

Association Prince Richard of Gloucester was

Lady Ballantrae
The Lord High Commissioner and
Lady Ballantrae vesterday gave a
dinner at the Palace of Holyroodbouse. Among the guests were:
Lord and Laty Smelett, Baroness Elliot of
flarwood. Gmenal Sir Chandon and Lady
Smith, Mr and Mrs Wilklim Rea-Mour, Mr
and Mrs Alam Bartes. Mr and Mrs Signon
wilson, the Rev Rolm and Mrs R. Gray
and Mr and Mrs J. R. Brywn.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

May 23: The Lord Shackleton had an audience of The Queen this morning when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignal of a Knight Compation of the Most Noble Order of the Garty.

His Excellency for Manuel Norberto Rose de Anchorena has received in andience by The Queen of his produces of the letters of Recall of his produces of and his own letters of Gredence as Ambessador Extraordizary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Argentina to the Court of St. James's. His Excellency was accompanied

by the following members of the Embass: this had the honour of heing presented to Her Majesty: Senor Rathel Meximo Goyland Señon Rafnel Máximo Gowland (Minister Pienipolentiary), Rear-Admiral Bicardo Guillérano Franke (Navul Attaché), Commodore Jorge A. Van Thieoen (Air Military Attaché), Señor Antonio E. Sewani (Counsellor (Feonomic and Commercial Affairs), Señor Allguei F. Manzella (Counsellor Consular Affairs), Señor Alejandro A. Pinsipe (First Secretary, Cousular Affairs), Señoria Gounda Grandi (First Secretary) and Selor Grandi (First Secretary) and Selor Grandi (Pier Secretary) and Senor

de Anchorena had the

Sir Thomas Brimelow (Perman-ent Under-Sectetary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty, was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in

Air Citief Marshal Sir Andrew Humpbrey had the honour of being received by The Queeo upon relinquishing his appointment as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Air Officer Commanding in Chief Strike Command, and upon his appointment as Chief of the Air Siaff and Air Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty.

General Sir Cecil Blacker had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Aide-de-Camp General to Her

The Queen, as Patron of King George's Jubilee Trust, and The Duke of Edinburth were present this evening at a Reception given by the Administrative Council of the Trust in Merchant Taylors'

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received upon arrival by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor of London and Sir Peter Studd IVice Chairman of the Trist and Master of the Merchant Taylors' Com-

The Marchioness of Aber-garenny, Mr William Heseltine, Squadivo Leader Peter Beer and Captain Peter Fielcher were in

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luncheon yesterday at Admiralty
House in honour of the Mexican
Deputy Minister of Foreign
Affairs, Senor Jose Gallestegui, Mr
David Ennals, Minister of State for
Foreign and Communiwealth
Affairs, was host, and the guests Included : The Menten ambassador and Senera de Margain, Senor H. Floras-Sanchez, Senor H. Floras-Sanchez, Senor Senora C. de Iogra, M. Ambary Keriban, M.P. and Mrs. Kersban, Mr. R. H. Rellier, He Hon Henry Hankey, Mr Norman Reddaway and Mr H. Ellia.

Luncheons

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Department of Education and

rerday. The guests were:

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The Argentine Ambassador and Mine de Anchorena held a reception at the Argentine Embassy, yesterday to celebrate Argentine National Day (May 25). Among those present were:

The Lord Major of Westminster, members of the Diplomatic Cores, members of the Cabi-net, members of Parliament, representables of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and other coretament departments and Argentine

Lord Byers, Chairman of the Com-pany Pensions Information Centre, and Lady Byers gave a reception at 7.0ld Park Lane on Wednesday.

Mr C. G. W. Andrews
and Mile A'-H. de Villariny
The engagement is announced
between Charles, only son of Brigadier and Mrs' G. L. W. Andrews,
West Kingsteps, Nalrm, Scotland,
and Anne-Helene, daughter of M
and Mme Robert Jarnovan de Villartay, L'Essart, La Chapelle Saint
France.

Lieotenant G. K. Billson, RN and Miss R. A. C. Morgan

and hiss R. A. C. Morgan
Tha engagement is announced between Lieutenant Geoffrey Kendrick Billson, Royal Navy, younger son of Brigadier G. H. T. Billson, CBE, DSO, and Mrs Billson, of Great Haseley, Onford, and Rosemary Anno Christine, daughter of Captain R. C. Morgan, Royal Navy, and Mrs. Morgan, of Chiltlee Cottage, Lipbook, Hampshire.

the engagement is announced between John David Goldsmith (St. Alban-Rheinweg 180, 4052 Basel), son of Dr and Mrs M. Goldsmith, of 3 Birkdale Avenue, Leicester, LE2 3HA, and Sylwia, only daughter of Mrs Irene Karp and the late his lear Karp of Mrs.

the late Mr Leon Karp, of Maximilian Str 47 Munich 22.

The engagement is announced between Robin (Mick), son of Mr.

between Robin (Mick), son of Mr and Mrs R. W. H. Johnston, of San Julian, Argentina, and of Dumfries, and Julia, younger danghter of Mr and Mrs Tweedle, Edradour, North Berwick, and of Estancia Stag River, Rio Gallegos, Argentina. The marriage will take place in Patagonia in February.

and Miss C. Clyne
The engagement is announced
between David, son of the Rev Alex

and Mrs MacLehose, of Lockerley Vicarage, Romsey, Hampshire, and Christine, daughter of the late Dr Theodore Clyne and Mrs Peter Blackburn, of Greenfield House, St Mellous, Mommouthshire.

Mr D. D. C. Monro
and Miss P. E. Grey
The engagement is announced
between David, son of Mr and Mrs
F. L. Monro, of Downend, Hindhead, Surrey, and Paulene Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs C.
R. Grey, 18 Long Drive, Kohimaramara, Anckland S, New Zealand.

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Receptions

Mine de Anchorena

Forthcoming

marriages

Mr Eruest Armstrong, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Education and Science, was host vesterday at a luncheon given at Laocaster House in bonour of Dr Badiuddin Mahmnd, Minister of Education Certago. The Prince of Wales subsequently attended a Reception at the Town Hall. Welshpool. His Royal Highness this after-noon risited Welshrool High School and later travelled in an

Cardiff.
The Prince of Wales joured the
National Museum of Wales and
presided at a Meeting of the Welsh
Environment Fooddation beld in

KENSINGTON PALACE

Prioce Richard of Gloucester rotte Relating of Gloncester loday arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Germany.

His Royal Highness this evening was Guest of Honour at a Dinner given by the VC and GC Association at the Cafe Royal.

Liquipment-Colonel Signer Florad Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

May 23: The Duke of Kent today visited the factories of Redifon Limited at Crawley.
Lientenant-Commander Richard Buckley, RN, was in attendance.
The Duchess of Kent was entertained at luncheon today by the Bailiff of Guernsey at the Royal Hotel, Sr Peter Port. Her Royal Highness subsequently named the

Hotel, Sr Peter Port. Her Royal Highness subsequently named the Royal National Life-Boat Institution's new life-boat and was entertained at dinner at Government House by the Lieutenant-Governor and Lady Mills.

The Dochess, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Miss Jane Pugh.

RSPCA gala evening

Design Council

Latest wills

Lattest Wills

Sir Julian Henry Hall, of Westminster, journalist and author, left 1157, 115 net (duty paid, £67, 423). He left £20,000 and effects to Gwen Lady Melchett, £1,000 each to the Garrick Club and the Garrick Club Library Committee, £500 to the London Library, £500 to J. G. Richards, of Coutts & Co, and £330 for the benefit of the staff at 440 Strand, in appreciation of their kind attention. Other estates include (not, before duty paid; further duty kind attention. Other estates include (net, before duty paid; further duty may be payable on some estates):
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Dow, Miss Mildred Murdoch, of Highgate, London (duty paid, £44,426). £111,954

Fisher, Miss Hilda, of Wimbledon

544,426)
Fisher, Miss Hilda of Wimbledon (dury paid, £57,066)
Roberts, Mr. Griffith Ricbard, of Upper Holloway, Loadon (duty paid, £30,783)
. £107,088

25 years ago From The Times of Tuesday.

From Our Special Correspondent Bonn, May 23.—The new Federal Republic for Western Germany came into existence soon after 4 o'clock this afternoon, when almost 100 signatures wera appended to the constitution at a ceremony seen here by bundreds of persons in the large assembly hall of the Parliamentary Council.

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Major Benjamin Herman, RM, was in attendance. Lord Rupert Nevill

attendance.

The Prince of Wiles this morning arrived at Weishpool in the Royal Train to carry out engagements in connexion with The Prince of Wales' Committee for

His Royal Highness toured the Montgomery Canal Reclamation Project and opened the Welshpool Lock gares,

aircraft of The Queen's Flight to Cardiff. Stock Exchange
The Chairman, Mr G. A. Loveday,
and Members of the Council of the
Stock Exchange gave a luncheon
party at the Stock Exchange yesterday. The guests were:

Environment Foundation beld in the Museum Court Room.
His Royal Highness this evening attended a dinner given by the Veriety Cinb of Great Britain at the Angel Hotel, Cardiff.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, as Honorary Freeman, and Captain Mark Phillips were present this evening at the Loriners Livery Dinner at the Mansion House.

sion House. Miss Rowena Brassey was

May 23: Toe Duchess of Glou-cester. Air Chief Commandant of The Women's Royal Air Force, today visited RAF Swanton Mor-ley, Norfolk. Her Royal Highness travelled in discraft of The Queen's Flight. Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in

The Duis and Duchess of Semerser will be liests at a champagne reception and buffet support to be held at the Banquering House, Whitehall, on June 18 to mark the 150th anniversary of the RSPCA. For tickets: £12 double and £7 single; please apply to Miss H. Thomas, RSPCA Events Executive, 43 Great Marlborough. Street, London, W1.

The Duke of Edinburgh presented the Design Council Awards for 1974 yesterday at the Commercial Union Building, EC. He was welcomed by the Lord Mayor of London, Viscount Caldecote, Chairman of the Design Council, the Earl of Snowdon, Sir Paul Reilly, Director of the Design Council, and Mr Francis Sandilands.

Free Germany tially inaugurated. For the first time since the rise of the Hitler regime in 1933, some 45 million Germans to the three western zones are now at liberty to elect their first free Government. Preparations for the elections are now in band, and polling is expected to take place by mid-fully. ake place by mid-july.

#### and of service provided to the public last year. His annual report to the Lord Chancellor says that the main

Records, reports today that a severe shortage and rapid turn-over of staff affected the stand-

culties were that work on executing photocopies was severely disrupted and the production of documents to readers

was frequently delayed.

The number of documents produced in the searchrooms, 372,000, was slightly higher than in 1972, but the number of daily attendences by members of the public, 95,000, showed a marginal 2 ner cent drop. That slight easing of pressure on the Public Record Office showed itself in a small reduction in the Public Record Office showed itself in a small reduction in the Office, 27p).

Annual Report of the Public Record Office (HC 118, Stationery Office, 27p).

wa Staff Reporter number of readers using the Mr J. R. Ede, Keeper of Public searchrooms during the busy summer mouths, with the result that on only a very few occasions were people kept waiting for seats. Attendances were more evenly spread throughout the

> Work began on the new and supplementary Public Record Office at Kew last May. The building is expected to ba handed over in 1976 and opened to the public six months later. The report of the advisory

### Four teams in struggle for bridge prize

From a Bridge Correspondent Venice, May 23

Approaching the halfway point in the eliminating rounds of the world bridge contest for the Bermuda Bowl, four teams—Italy, Brazil, North America and France—are already established as favourites for the send-final places. rayrourities for the semi-timal piaces.

Round there is tracil but North America
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19—41; Italy but New Polland 30 minus
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The Indonesian team suffered trom its inability to communicate.

The official language of the championship is English, and none of the Indonesians is even moderately fluent in it. Therefore they have been unable to give adequate explanations of their system, and so far have been penalized three times for the failure to do so.

The situation has been rectified with the introduction of interpreters and an enlargement of the Indonesian system statement beyond the usual requirements, it would therefore not be a surprise if this team was to show rapid improvement between one and the end of the eliminating rounds on end of the ellminating rounds on

ing first place will meet the fourth in one semi-final, while-those in the second and third places will meet each other. The Italians have won all their matthes and therefore will carry forward a positive score against their opponents in both the semi-finals and finals.

In the unofficial challenge match for the Verice Trophy between the Italian women, who are the world and European bile holders, and the Linited States team; the score with 24 bands remaining to play is United States 267 and Italy 180. Saturday might.
At that point, the team occupy- covery seems remote. The possibility of an Italian re-

#### OBITUARY MR CHARLES **SQUIRES**

Television film

director

Mr Elkan Allan writes:
Mr Charles Squires, MEE, the
television film director, died at the
age of 46 on Wednesday at a Har-ley Street clinic where he was
under treatment for a heart con-dition.

Although the credits on his many films read. "Charles "it was as Charlie that he was known and will be remembered by his col-leagues in both ITV and the BBC.

It was his saying of a threat-ened library of old film footage at Associated Rediffusion that first

at Associated Rediffusion that first, brought him to prominence out his own account. He took sections from it and reedited them to music under the generic title, Take Four. The result was that the reels were not "junked" but saved for the Squires treatment over a number of years.

His career up to that point-

1965—had been first as teaboy in the Crown Film Unit at 14, then

as a telegraphist in the Royal Navy and he then progressed through the feature film cutting

rooms at Shepperton, Denham and Pinewood. He joined cam-mercial television at its incep-tion and ultimately became chief

editor at Associated Rediffusion.

His first films as a director were A Boy Called Donovan, Airport, Carrier Eagle, and The Grafters, which was his own favourite, about market traders. In 1971 he joined Man Alive

where he directed programmes about life on the dole, the Army and Soho. For London Weekend be made many Liems for

Aquiorius, notably about tattoo-

ing and pantomine animal acts.
Through his career he concen-

traced on the most ordinary people and captured their eccen-trickies but also their warmth with the eye of a Mayhew. He had recently been extending his

for an LWT series to be seen later this year. He leaves a wife and two married children.

As everyone who worked with Charlie will know, he was the most direct of men—honest but unsparing in his criticism but

LIEUT COL R. B. Y.

correspondent writes

Lt Col Robert Breynton Yarn-ton Mills, OBE, MC, who died at Barrington Grove near Bur-

of great ability who applied his talents for the benefit of his

country, his family and his friends as an industrialist and businessman, soldier and coun-

MILLS

From Our Correspondent

runings were present at a timer at the Mansion House last night held by the Master, Mr Douglas A. Clarke, the Wardens, Mr R. E. Tongue and Air R. M. Borton, end the Court of Assistants and liverymen and freemen of the Loriners' Company. The Lord Mayor, who replied to the civic toast, attended, accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriff's and their ladies. Among those present were:

Lord Erroll of Hale (who responded on behalf of the guests and Lady British of Hale, Indian Lord Erroll of Hale (who proposed the loss of the suppose Lord Saciety, Merman Str. Roser Bellinger (who proposed the loss of the suppose of the Master) and Lady Bellinger by Masters of the Saciety done.

He told the 1,300 commissioners:

"I look at my presbyterial brothers and sisters in this assembly and I seriously wonder if one quarter of this company has dared to argue the case from pulpit public platform, in school, youth club or couples' group."

The committee, he said, intended to make that task easier for them in a series of discussion papers with material on "today's questions on marriage."

"This is ammunition for a Present at a dinner given by the Victoria Cross and George Cross Association at the Cafe Royal last night. Mr Roy Mason, MP, Rear-Admiral B. C. G. Flace, VC, and Mr R. G. Ridling, GC, were the speakers.

serves avant-garde but who only lead our young people up the ancient and pathetic cul-de-sacs of sexual ninilism."

Perhaps the church was the only body that still believed that sex could not be separated from love but the committee believed that God's truth was winning the battle.

battle. Sorry evidence was mounting

Brirish Ralian Society
Lord Goodman, Mr Reginald
Mandling, MP, and Mrs Mandling,
Sir Welliam and Lady Barnetson,
Sir Hugh and Lady Codlipp, Prince
and Princess Welkersheim, Grand
Uff Serafino Pini, Comin Massimo
Coen and Signora Thelma Coen
(chairman of the ball committee),
and Signora Giorgetta Crosetti
(vice-chairman) were present at
the annual dinner of the British
Italian Society beld at the Sayoy
Hotel on Tuesday. Coningsby Club
The Coningsby Club envertained
Mr William Whitelaw, MP, at dinner last night at the Hoose of Commons, Mr Michael Tugendhar was
in the chair.

Marriages

Mr E. W. A. Murray and Miss E. D. Harman
The marriage took place quietly on Wednesday at St Michael's, Chester Square, SW1, of Mr Edward William Atholi Murray, elder son of the late Mr and Mrs Stracey Murray, and Miss Elizabeth Dawn Harman, daughter of the late Mr H. D. Harman and Mrs R. Simpson Harvey, of 18 Kingston Housa South, SW7. The Rev E. G. H. Sainders officiated.

Birthdays today

Duke of Bedford, 57; Rear Admiral Sir Kenneth Buckley, 70 Admiral Sir Kenneth Buckley, 70; Sir Roden Cotler, VC, 58; Sir William Haley, 73; Miss Joan Hammond, 62; General Sir Camphell Hardy, 68; Earl of Macclesfield, 86; Miss Slobhan McKenna, 51; Sir Cecil Mant, 68; Sir Charles Norton, 78; Sir Edmund Sargant, 68; Lord Tryon, 68; Major-General V. J. E. Westropp, 77.

#### Kirk's task Atherseum The Duke of Edinburgh, who was in the chair, proposed the toast of the club, to wideb Lord Morris of the club, to wideb Lord Morris of the club, to wide at a house 'to fight prophets of sex nihilism

Edinburgh

The Charch of Scotland was called to battle resterday against extramarital sex relations and the false prophets of sexual nibilism. false prophets of sexual nihilism.

The Rev David Levison, convener of the moral welfare committee addressing the General Assembly in Edinburgh, said that one simple, fundamental truth was that sexual intercourse was for marriage. "Sex without love is a travesty, e mutual exploitation and despoliation." he said. Intensive and effective education along these lines was crying out to be done.

"This is ammunition for a battla we must get thoroughly engaged in against the false prophets, who so often think themselves avant-garde but who only

battle.

Sorry evidence was mounting that departure from that simple bur essential principle created oceans of unhappiness and was placing quite unwarrantable burdens on the social legal and medical services.

"For the happiness of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the future of family life and for the welfare of our young people, for the welfare of written into their bearts and minds, written into the bearts of society liself: intercourse is for marriage." Fairbairn, QC, sent a telegram yesterday to the Moderator of the Free Kirk General Assembly requesting to address the assembly and reply to bifter crinicism levelled at him during a debate on public questions and morals.

On Wednesday evening Mr. Donald Jack, an elder of Edinburgh Presbytery, attacked the nomination of Mr. Fairbairn to succeed Sir Alec Douglas-Home as Conservetive Candidate in Kinross and West, Perthshire, and told the assembly that it was to be lioned the constituents would reject such a candidate.

All Jack described Mr. Fairbairn as or elemny of the Gospel because

stituents would reject such a candidate.

Ar Jack described Mr Faichairn as an enemy of the Gospet because of his connection with the Traterse Theatre in Edinburgh, which had made a "nefarious" contribution to the permissive society.

The telegram was passed on by the moderator, the Rev Alastair Ross, to the assembly's business committee. The committee, headed by Professor G. N. M. Collins, decided to write a letter to Mr Fairbairn, stating that the criticism was the opinion of a single individual and had not the authority of the assembly.

Rejecting his request it said be had already replied adequately to the criticism in the national press.

#### Street. Charlie was an original and although he would have scotted at the idea, himself, a considerable artist. **High prices for Continental** pieces at furniture sale

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent.

Sale Room Correspondent.

Christie's yesterday had their most financially successful sale of oak furniture, pewter and metalwork. Richly carved Continental pieces made the biggest prices. A French, Henri IV walnut buffet carved with satyr beads, griffins, scrollwork and foliage made £3.560 (Embden). Its style, according to Christie's, shows the influence of the exotic designs published by Jacques Androvet du Cercean about 1550.

A seventeenth-century Spanish walnut varguengo or cabinet, also richly carved, brought the same price. A Mantuan walnut pedestal cupboard of architectural design, dated 1601, was priced ar £1,470. The doors are decorated with an armorial cartonche bearing the

The doors are decorated with an armorial cartonche bearing the royal arms of the Lusignam family. A Dutch or German early-eight-eenth-century bureau-cabinet made £1,155 (Lameris), and an early-Georgian Baglisb oak dresser made £1,102.50. Two eighteenth-century brass candlesticks brought an outstanding price at £441. The sale totalled £53,227.

Sotheby's sold a small collection of pottery. Several pieces had been through the sale rooms in recent years. It started with a small group of Italian majolica, which brought strong bidding; a restored Deruta unashaped wase and cover made £1,450 (Embden).

A group of English Delitware also made high prices. A William

HI equestrian portrait charger, which made £2,000 at Sotheby's in 1973, reached £3,000 (Allbrook). A Queen Anne portrait charger made £1,400, compared with £680 in 1969; a similar charger made £1,400, compared with £680 in 1969; a similar charger made £950 in April, 1973.

A slipware dish by Ralph Toft made £7,500 (Nowbon), but a Charles II portrait slipware dish by Ralph Simpson was bought in at £6,500. A dated \$1,200 in 1968. A Staffordshire slipware jug. by William Simpson, of 1691, reached £1,200, compared with £1,500 in 1968. A Staffordshire bragger pot, dated 1688, made £1,220, compared with £1,600 in 1968. The collection totalled £45,695 for 57 lots.

Sotheby's also sold a collection of small baroque wood carvings formed by Dr William M. Milliken for £29,750. A. pair of Wurzburg limewood figures of angels brought the top price at £5,000 (Monlton). A mixed sale of carvings and Gothic caskets made £81,153. A Nuremberg iroo casket, richly engraved and decorated and dating from the second half of the sixteenth-century, made £8,500 (Peter Dale). Sotheby's also held a silver sale totalling £41,199.

At Woolley and Wallis's, Salisbury, a sala of antique furniture and pictures realized £18,000. A Shetaton-period mahogany side-board of small size made £1,950. A George II Irish mahogany narrow sidetable made £720, and a George III mahogany longcase clock inscribed "De Laselle, London", made £660.

# Today's engagements The Duke of Edinburgh, as chancellor, visits Salford University, 10.10.

Exhibition: Ivory Carvings in early Medieval England, 700-1200, Victoria and Albert Museum. 10-6. Museum. 10-6. and Albert British Library, Department of Manuscripts: Exhibition of Tudor and Stuart alphabets and writing books, British Museum, 10-5.

Performance of Shakespeare's Pericles by Prospect Theatre Company in aid of the Disabled Living Foundation, Her-Majesty's Theatre, Haymarket, 7,30.

7.30.
Poets in Person, Ted Berrigan and John Matthias, Poetry Society, Earls Conrt Square, 7.30.
Royal Hornicultural Society's Cheisea, Show, Royal Hospital, Cheisea, 8.30-5.
Meniorial services: Mr P. B. James, St James's, Piccadilly, noon: Lady Clyde, St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, 3.

Princess Alexandra will open the Royal Cottage Homes for Watermen. Freemen of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thames, at Hastings, on July 17.

# **Demand Deposits**

Interest paid on deposits of £10,000 and above becomes 111% p.a. with effect from today, Frida May 24th, 1974, as a result of the change to 121% p.a. in the Bank's Base Rate.

will be remembered by his colleagues in both HV and the BBC.
With his uncompromising Corlinery manner he had no time for artistic pretensions although, as a nibure to his work shown last year as an Aquarius programme purit, he was conditioned of nelevision? greatest the represented Britain is chroniclers, of our life and rimes in this country.

His best known film was Derby Bay, an impression of Epsom Downs that was as wird a the Frith painting and contained a slow-motion version of the race against carousel music that has been an strined in the artifives of film and the memories of all, who saw it. Such brilliant use of vision against music was the result of his editing experience, and many a producer—including myself—will admit that he often turned indifferent films fund rivering viewing by his cutting skill.

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He betavely refused to the race of library of old film forease. metres, but already he n been affected by illness He bravely refused to ledge, that his athletic was over and even last your as a spectator to the walking championshi Logano so that he could

MR PHILL

**EMBLETO** 

Internation

walker

Philip Embleton, who, sented Britaio in the Olympic 20,000 metres

1972 died on Wedne:

hospiral in London, as briefly reported in The He was 25.

Neil Allen, Athletics pondent writes: Philip ton had been sufferin

eukemia since the winter ing the 1972 Olympi

MR IAN FAIRWEATH Mr Ian Fairweat Scottish-born artist and turer, who spent more years as a hermit on a

the British team.

land island, bas died of attack, aged 83. Fairweather, Australia in 1934, live bark and iron sback in I on Bribie Island, some north of Brisbane. He s days beachcombing an ing and became Australia's leading artis pictures realized an price of 4,000 Australiar (£2,500) each at an ex a-1970. Some of his wm

been shown at the Tate When the 1914-18 wa out Fairweather enlisted Army in Britain. I captured on his first da front lines and spent for as a prisoner. After the attended the Slade Sc London, but when un make a living from his p-went travelling the wor His last great ad before settling oo Bribis Kon Tiki-style expeditic Darwin into the shark-Timor Sea. He built a tri raft with three old aircr

CARDINAL

equally generous in his contribu-tions, whether credited or not-His plamp, Billy Bunter figure will be sorely missed from the cutting rooms round Wardour DANIELOU R. Brinkman, S.J. May I add a few words obituary of Cardinal D in praise of his gift for ship? His English wa very g set of the Sarum Lect Oxford his pronunciation entirely prevented his entirely prevented his from understanding w was saying. He did not audience. Behind such, sions, and many like the a network of spontaneous ships with English Fecholars, especially with Professor F. L. Cross, for over twenty years Date friendships were interned scholarly, and (very pres

on his forthcoming ele-the French Academy. ceived, promptly in upon, and then rejects

an irreverent suggestior solemn oration which had to prepare. It see René Clair had decli speech recommending Academician on the gr his own unfamiliarity w logy. Fascinated by the ha might get to know the of the cinema Darue offered to coach him. and much more convi-that Danielou's love

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nearly always having borses in training, mostly in France. Church, however cons was no love of forms

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Born on 27th March 1900 and scholarly, and (very prec educated at Winchester and Sandhurst, he left the Army on the death of his father in 1921 and lived in France to take charge of the family textile. him) ecumenical As a Cardinal it was not for him to shed dignity less would be keep anyo distance. Last summer with him at Les Fo business near Rouen. Between the wars he also lived in England and was a member of (Chantilly), once a closed bouse, now an open study with one of the finest ing SI libraries. His ener wit, his loyalties and tions were shared with the Stock Exchange for some time being a partner in the jobbing firm of Sambourne & On the outbreak of war in or so visiting students o On the outbreak of war in 1939 he rejoined his Regiment, the 18th/19th Hussars, winning the Military Cross in North Africa while commanding a squadron of 12th Royal Tank Regiment. Later, during the close of the campaign in Italy, he commanded the "Phantom" Signal Regiment of 8th Army which operated a direct signal net from ont-stations with the most forward units direct to the ages who came from al of Western Europe. With an hour of arrival he work in the library. A! first meal be was in the playing "houles" with who would join him, ar the chaffing be insisted longing the game till I With a few cronies in the

net from outstations with the most forward units direct to the Army Commander, being awarded the OBE (Military Division) for this work.

After the war he returned to France to manage the family business until this was eventually sold to a French company. He retired to live in Gloucestershire where he was a most kindly and generous host. He kindiy and generous host. He excelled in all field aports and bad a particular love of racing of which he was a shrewd judge,

Martin Etchegoven, the Vice-President of Uruguay, has died in Montevideo. He was 83.

for CONSTRUCTION

# hase in deal to uy half of NFC consumer nance business

t National Figure Coron places to sell half of its per finance operations—have gross assets of £120m patributed from to profits per to Chase Manhattan

minary details of the prodeal were disclosed in a tatement from FNPC and last night. FNFC is a secondary bank created pat Matthews, its managretor. Chase is the third hank in the United

ommon with others, FNFC en beset by rumours aris-m the secondary banking morety crises and was closely involved in the rof London and County ites. However, Mr Matstressed last night that the sed deal with Chase was

onations have apparently going on for a month after proach to FNFC from Final terms are unlikely decided for about three mand it is still unclear how money Chase will inject the new venture.

tions. These take in the 12 months.

bire-purchasa operations, 22 in-store banking offices, branches at railway stations, which are being installed under a recent deal between FNFQ and British Rail, and FNFC's substantial per-sonal landing business.

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It is uncertain at this stage whether London and County instore banks will be included in the joint venture.

From Chase's point of view the deal with FNFC makes sense because Chase itself was planning to launch its owd retail banking operation in some six provincial cities in Britain. Two months ago Chase decided to months ago Chase decided to drop those plans, bowever, be-cause of the change in the consumer credit climate in this

Successful conclusion of the negotiations between FNFC and Chase decends on the approval of the United States Federal Reserve Board and the Bank of Englend.

Last night Mr Matthews said that since negotiations were still incomplete he was unable to say bow much money Chase would put into the new company.

As a result; of the secondary idea is that Chase shoold hanking crisis, FNFC's stock market value has fallen from hFG's consumer finance £112m to £25m during the past

### ourtaulds' profits se £48m last year

ie board stated that the p's results, showing pre-tax its up from £68m to £116m substantially due to in-sed volume of sales and Stable export prices.

Tith record increases in sales i profits the group made a contribution of some £155m for United Kingdom current oce of payments after allowfor import and foreign exge costs.

Fux profits of the Beecham p io the year to the end arch rose by inst over a er from £43.8m to £55m on

rifile giant Courtaulds eved a massive increase in its last year, according to minary results issued to cholders yesterday.

Sales up from £260m to £338m.

Most of the growth, particularly in the second half, came from the group's overseas operations. The full year dividend goes up from a gross equivalent of 6.56p

Fre-tax profits of Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland's Lourbo trading corglomerate rose in the six months to end-March from £9.6m to £16m on turnover up from £110m to £144m. But after higher minorities, reflecting in part the hiving off of part of the Nigerian shipping interests to the local populace the increase at the attributable level dropped to a ball at £4.8m. The market took little notice of the figures and left the shares uncharged at 69p.

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# hreshold payments

in unemployment next

ernatively, such large frepay increases, month by in, to a growing proportion total labour to cc (about illion in all might, it is I, cause the pound to start ground in foreign exemples. While that protect the competitive if British exports, it would ush up import prices and ther raise iodestrial costs

one prices.
en threshold agreements introduced last autums in leath's Phase Three Price "av Cods, the assumption that the economy would by 3! per cent and that is would, with luck never using situation y andess it appreciated the dangers of inflation and united to overcome the crucial 7 per cent nold for activating threshold agreements would near the end of the twelvent period of Phase Three. Anopes have been dashed, by world price develops and partly by the impact tree-day working in the quarter of this year. Is the strong bope of the rement that during next resedunity and comments dy made as payments on much under 20 per cent. A large part of the remedy lay with industry and commented in flation could be heaten by using people, plant and equipment hetter.

"But not respect to the dangers of inflation of the Confederation of British industry, said at Hentay-on-Thenes yesterday, writes Malcolm Brown. Threshold agreements, would almost certainly be triggered today with the publication of the remail price index, Mr Adunson said. This would mean that several million people would get an extra 40p, or even 30p a week. The country would be located by made as payments of the remail price index for the confederation of the confederation of British industry, said at Hentay-on-Thenes yesterday, writes Malcolm Brown.

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c sector, and many in pri-industry, are covered by Three threshold clauses heir ray nercentent (our ur Staff writes).

me of the groups who will fit include mineworkers, authority manual workers, workers and railwaymen. A markers are mines whose

worker in the mines, whose went up to \$25 under the at pir pay deal, will, if the leans apply, go up to

any workers in private inry are still not covered by
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ember the Pay Board has
rored well over a thousend
lements which do not consuch clauses, almost exclu-ly in the private sector and erina more than five million

hief among those groups are 10.000 engineering workers, se recent national pay agreemt cive a two-stage deal, but hout a threefuld claure. Some store in the industry will be ered by individual plant erments, but they are not A former per milion workers.

un elm at all in private in-

oned from page 1 dustry, here had their pay agree-iding a recession with hig ments refused by the Pay Board in unemployment next since last November, and they too will fail to benefit from

too will fail to benefit from today's index announcement.

Threshold payments will have a less inflationary effect then similar increases on basic rates. The £1.20. if reached, will be a special individual payment to each worker and will not be used as part of the basic rate for the calculation of overtime and other carpings.

other carnings.
With the continued increase with the continued increase in the cost of living, the TUC expects that workers will easily win an extra £2 a ceek by the autumn, when Phase Three is

ment hetter.

"But until we do we have no alternative but to damp down our demands for higher living standards or we shall defeat the rery thing we are fighting for "Mr Adamson told the

for ". Mr Adamson told the CBI's southern regional council. Turning to the Government's plans for increased nationalization and intervention in industry. Mr Adamson said that industry looked with the greatest concern at these proposals. He said that industry was just as aware as the Government of the need for a close and bealthy relationship between government and industry in a modern mixed economy.

"Such a relationship will not be improved by the kind of

he improved by the kind of statement made by some minis-ters recently about government's

financial aid to industry

These are to the effect that
since 1970 industry has received over £3,000m in government sub-

over Landous in government sub-sidies, or nearly half the amount paid by companies in tax dur-ing the same period.

"The implication is that government has got a poor return Share prices for its money and should have Hint Trust prices much more influence over the Walt Contest

inflation ? rage 19

#### Pan Am's proposals to stimulate profits

New York, May 23.-Pan American Airways has presented federal officials with a detailed "shopping list" of proposed government measures that it. conservatively sestimates would yield potential profit opportunities annually of \$341m (about £142m) to \$407.5m (ahout £170m) if fully implemented.

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The programme would avert the need for future federal subsidy payments, the airline said. But it also maintained that it should be paid subsidies to offset 1974 and 1975 losses, expected because of higher fuel costs, that would be incurred before any henefit arose from implementation of any part of the proposed programme.

Pan Am's plan for a "positive government action" programme of potential profit opportunities was submitted recently at the request of e White Honse interagency task force. This was formed to study the financial problems in the international air transport services of Pan Am and Traos World Airlines.

The task force, headed by presideotial assistant Mr Peter M. Flanigan, includes the Office of Management and Budget, the Civil Aerocautics Board (CAB) and the State, Treasury, Transportation and Justice Departments.

A package of somewhat simi-

ments.

A package of somewhat similar proposals was requested and received from TWA, which, like Pan Am, insists that subsidy payments will be needed for 1974 and possibly, 1975, even if portions or all of its proposals are implemented.

implemented.

Both Pan Am and TWA filed subsidy requests with the CAB in early April and are expected to press their cases before that agency and Congress. Admini-stration officials, however, have expressed reluctance to back funding of any subsidy plan, but are understood to be interested in forming an alternative "sur-vival" programme involving government belo in non-subsidy

areas.
The plans requested from the : The plans requested from the carriers are intended for use in shaping such a programme.

Pan Am told the task force that it had narrowed its estimated 1974 operation loss to \$29.3m from the \$75m it projected in its request for a subsidy. It also said that it is projecting a \$58.4m 1975 operating loss, despite expectations of ing loss, despite expectations of a 7.5 per cent increase in traffic

Operating figures are given before such items as interest, tax credits and equipment sales.
The \$29.3m 1974 operating loss would compare with 1973's \$6.7m operating profit. Interest payments last year of \$58.5m, partly offset by a \$17.5m tax credit and other items, produced a oet loss of 518.4m, Pan Am's

fifth consecutive annual deficit Pan Am's package of proposed government action includes various measures that would add an estimated \$279m to \$320.5m vearly in new pre-tax profit. Other measures would avoid a further profit deterioration of \$62m to \$87m annually.

Features of the plan include: government graots of new routes to Pan Am and restrictions of authority for certain selected foreign airlines, as well as changes in various fare and rate regulations.

The programme also includes the rejection of a pending pro-posal by Laker Airways, the British carrier, to operate a low-cost "skytrain" service between New York and London. This would avoid a profit drain of as much as \$12m yearly, Fan Am said.—AP Dow Jones.

P&O in talks to buy cruise ship

P & O are negotiating to buy the two year old, 20,000 tons cruise ship, Island Princess, for around £15m from Norway's Fearnley and Eger and American

#### Herbert chief Last three defends contracts of service

By Clifford Webb The extent of service contracts held by directors and their minimal shareholdings were criticized yesterday at the annual meeting of Alired Herbert, Britain's largest machine tools group. tools group, Air Neale Raine, managing

Mr Neale Raine, managing director, told questioners that the service contract held by Sir Richard Young, company chairman until recently, had been terminated and this was now the subject of a legal claim.

He confirmed that 158,000 had heen paid as agreed compensation to Mr A. E. Smith, a former director who left on September 30 last year with a service agreement up to

service agreement up to October, 1978.

Air Raine said that when a company was in Herhert's 1970 position it could not employ people without giving service contracts.

He added that as a professional man he could not afford the £100,000 worth of shares suggested by one questioner, "but as soon as this meeting is over I shall buy shares".

Mr Raine refused to confirm
the report in Wedoesday's
Business News that the chairmanship might go to Sir Ray-mond Brookes, who retires as chairman of Guest Keen. & Nettlefolds at the eod of this

The company had made a profit in the last quarter of 1973 but the miners strike, three-day working and an unprecedented rate of inflation
had pur it back into a lossmaking situation.

An extraordinary general
meeting which preceded the

annual meeting approved a one-for-five issue of new preference shares to preference shareholders in return for giving the board authority to raise its secured borrowing limits.

### clearers cut base rate by $\frac{1}{2}$ pc

By Ian Morison Financial Correspondent The London clearing banks' current round of hase rate reductions came to an end yester-

day morning when the three remaining hanks-Courts, Mid-land and Williams & Glyn'smoved into line with Barcleys, Lloyds and National Westmin. ster by cutting their rates from 125 to 12 per cent-Other banks to follow in-

cloded the Royal Bank of Scotland and the Co-operative Bank. land and the Co-operative Bank. All the banks bave redoced the basic rate of loterest payable on deposits of £10,000 or more from 11 to 10½ per ceot and all overdrafts will now be balf a percentage point cheaper. But other rares, including those on personal loans and deposits of under £10,000 remain unchanged. changed.

In his annual statement, published with the accounts yester-day, Mr Alfred Wilsoo, chairman of the Co-op Bank, said that there bad been a very granifying response to the intro-duction of free current account facilities for customers mainand ro the extension of the policy of paying interest on personal accounts: the number

The bank's pra-tax profit rose from £3.85m to £4.75m last year. At the year-end its holdings of certificates of deposit as ings of certificates of deposit as a result of commitments entered into by the Scottish Cooperative Society was £209m. This, however, clearly understates the SCS's initial exposure to the CD market, since some of its positions have already been unwound.

to finish 13.75p down at 209.5p a troy ounce after early busi-

ness at 201.0p.
Triggering the new down-ward movement was the over-

night weakness in New York commodities which prompted a

wave of fresh chart and stop loss selling. There was little consumer support for base metals because of the Ascen-sion Day holiday in many cen-

#### Commodities index drops sharply to 1974 low ered a shade in the afternoon

By John Woodland

Further heavy losses were recorded in London Metal Exchange prices yesterday and helped to bring Reuters commodity index to a new 1974 low. At 1,308.1 it was 12.2 lower. on the day and nearly 172 points below its all-time high registered on February 26.

However, most marked lied a little from the day's lows and metals, in particular, were showing a firmer trend at the close. Nevertheless, copper was down f50 af £1,047.50 a tonne after trading at £1,040 while tin lost £37.50 at £3,747.50.

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Silver recorded its heaviest ever single session drop on the LAIE in the morning but recov-

#### Further £33m Shell order

Shell UK Exploration and Production has ordered another £33m concrete oil production platform from Norway for instal lation on the Brent oilfield, 113

miles north-east of Shetland. Sbell, the operator for the Shell Esso group, said yesterday that it was exercising an option for a second Condeep platform under the terms of a contrac negotiated last August. : The order west to Norway

because Condecp was the only platform builder in Europe that could provide a structure t Shell's specification by 1976. It is the third major platform anouncement by Shell within seven days and brings the total number of platforms ordered for the Brent field to four.

#### ton. EEC wheat and harle; futures also lost ground. UNEMPLOYMENT AND VACANCIES

and the September position dropped £6.50 to £599.25 a long

The following are the monthly figures for Great Britain released by the Department of Employment

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### Mr Benn details his priorities in review of BSC closures

ish Steel Corporation were re-vealed vesterday.

The future of the state steel undertaking's £3,000m investment programme is now firmly back in the melting pot and there is coosiderable concern that the long-term strategy hammered out in protracted discussion with the previous gorernment-could be seriously ieopardized.

Mr Anthony Wedgwood Beon, Secretary of State for Industry, gave details of the procedure which would be fol-lowed on closure place in a written parliamentary reals. written parliamentary reply. During the review he said he would look into the possibility of raising the ESC's long-term

production target and at the possibility of other changes in the strategy providing for Improvements or alternative BSC activities at plants scheduled for closure. "Der Beno has drawn up a pecking order for the review of closure plaos. First to be considered will be the iron and

steel making place at Hartle-pool, and the Cleveland ironmaking facility.

of new accounts opened had. This will be followed by a catried already justified the hank's review of the planned sout sible it we downs at Workington. Ebow months.

By Peter Hill Vale, East Moors, Shelton and Details of the Government's Bilston, Shorton; those schedplans for reviewing proposed used in Scotland; the proposed stechworks closures by the British Steel Corporation were re-

by Lord Reswich, Elinister of Imance company IFIA (Istituto State at the Endustry Department, who would undertake consultations before final decisions were taken. ment, who would undertake the magistrate was following consultations before final decisions were taken.

The minister is his reply said closures would be reviewed on yet completed its first year of

a case-by-case masis. Apart from Stanton and itlam, where ad hoc procedures had ceep followed, the review would begin with a tripartite measing between representatives of the BSC, the TUC's steel committee and local unions, and the Govetnment. After the initial meeting

Lord Beswick would hold dis-cursions with MPs concerned, local authorisies and other appropriate hocies, said Mr.

Ar Beno gave ne bint as to the time scale of rhe review and while the programme will be catried out as speedily as possible it will certainly take several

#### Chairman of Milan Bourse is suspended

From John Earle Rome, May 23

Signor Urkano Aletti, chair-Reduar plate mill development and associated closures, and finally others in England.

This programme, he said, had been agreed with the BSC and with the TUC steel compilities. Primary responsibility for the teview would be in the hands of Lord Ferwick, Elinister of State at the England Primary Primary Primary Primary Primary responsibility for the teview would be in the hands of the Milao Rouse, has been demonstrated investigating allegations against him in connexion with his opposition to the quotient of a recently formed finance company IFIA (Isrituro

operations.

The possible charges relate ro erticles in the penal code covering abuse of the office of a public official and negligence on the part of a public official.

As chairman of the execurive committee of the Milan Bourse, Signar Aletti is a public official. Further details of the accusations have not been made

For the time being the place of Signor Aletti as head of the hillen Bourse has been taken by Bonn. A further tripartite mess. Signer Flancesto do Llatch. ing would take place if called deputy chairman.

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have been a subject of control terms in the Italian press in tecent wasks. He is reperted to against Signor Aletti to the resistance on May 14.

#### Business rents freeze extended

By John Groses Political Staff

The Government has decided that the freeze on business reots should continue until the end

of May next year. Furthermore, the scope of the standstill is to be extended to include new lettings which will have taken place between November 5, 1972 and June 21, 1974. On June 21 next the Order implementing the proposals is to come into effect.

After the end of May, 1975, there will be a phased relaxation of the controls until the powers finally expire in March, 1976.

the Commons yesterday, Mr Crosland, Secretary of State for the Environment, explained that the National Association of Pen-

Announcing these measures in

sion Funds and the Property

He told Mrs Thatcher, the

explain thet the current stand-still began on November 5, 1972 and the transitional period and the new freeze would end when roe powers of control in the Counter Inflation Act, 1973 expired in March, 1976. and the new freeze would end
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Unit Trusts had asked if they could send a deputation to discuss the control of commercial repts.

Order 1973, the general effect of which is to restrict them to the levels in payment on November 5, 1972. Rents of buildings newly let

Opposition spokesman on the environment, that a meeting with the two hodies would be arranged. Meanwhile, the Government meant to take steps to continue the existing freeze end to initiate a new standstill."

Air Crosland went on to explain the the current stands of the freeze.

Somewhat data are current after that data are currently uutside the standstill. This coverage of newly completed huildings, buildings previously owner-occupied and buildings on the since November 5, 1971, is now brought within the Government's net by extension of the freeze. In deciding on its continua-

tion and extension, ministers have been conscious of the need

#### Stock Exchange tightens liquidity rules

By Terry Byland

Exchange's annual report, followers firms, such as Mitton, The Council of The Stock lows several "hammerings" of Butler, which had hitherto exchange is tightening up on stockhroking firms unable to escaped this net unless they its supervision of the cash positive meet commitments—notably were under special supervision. tion of member firms by requiring them to submit quarterly returns, in standard form, of

their liquidity margins.

And the council gave warning that it may, "at a later date", call for these returns on a monthly basis. It is also considering altering the present liquidity requirements and will be requirements. be making a further announce-ment on this point in duc-

COHTSC. The moves, which were fore-shadowed two weeks ago in the

meet commissionts—notably those of Chapman & Powe and

those of Chapman & P.owe and of Mitton, Butler, Priest.

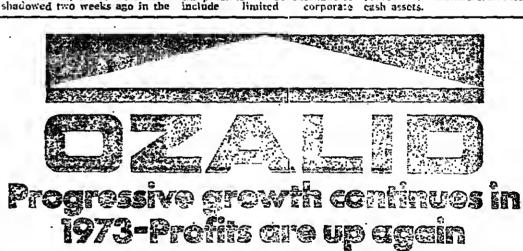
Previously, non-corporate member firms have been required to submit audited accounts at the year end, and one unaudited liquidity margin statement during the year, when called for by the council.

The new regulation will not supersede the practice of cellsupersede the practice of call-

ing for a spot check during the year, the council says. Indeed, the practice will be extended to include limited corporate

were under special supervision.
The new quarterly returns Priest. will be made by way of o

Under present requirements, each partnership must have \$5,000 cash a partner in excess of liabilities. Limited corporate members need \$10,000 a director or associate member. Little detail is yet available regarding rossible changes under consideration, but it is likely that a cioser look will be taken at the source of members/directors



£63,100,000 Group Turnover £46,600,000 Turnover Arising Outside U.K. £35,000,000 £23.160.00**0** (including U.F. Exports) £7.200.000 £6.000,000 Group Net Profit Before Taxation £7,361,000 £5.791,000 Profit After Taxation £3,711,000 £3,448.000 Earnings Per Share\* 15.9p 13.5p

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In announcing these results the Ozalld Group Chairman, Mr. N. J. Kiely,

\* 1872 adjusted for change to imputation system.

dian's attention to the continuing rapid progress of the Group, both in the UK, and otherseas where the greatest opportunities are seen for future growin. Profits have been affected by constantly increasing cools, and it became necessary to raise the prices of a number of products in November, followed by further increases in the current near. Previously, selling prices had been held generally unchanged since January 1972.

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Dividend The Directors progress to recommend payment of a linal dividend at the gross rate of 4,28p per 25p. Occiman shale and this, together with the interim aixidend of 0.9% prossiper share paid in September last viil give a total of 7.16p gross per share for the year, compared with 6.92p per share for 1975. This is the maximum increase permissible under

pleasant restrictions. The final dividend will be pay-

able on 5th July 1974 to those on the Register of

Cadinary Shareholders at 7th June 1974.

Annual General Mesting

The Report and Accounts will be described to sparsholders on June 4th and the Annual Concrete Francing will be held at the Chart Lans college at Langaton Road, Loughton, Essey, at National Control of the State of the State

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# Fed loans to Franklin bank now put at \$1,100m

From Frank Vogl Washington, May 23

The Franklin National Bank was reported today to bave borrowed around \$1,100m (about £458m) from the Federal Reserve System, and Mr James Smith, the United States Controller of the Currency, has repeated that be believes Franklin —the 20th largest bank in the United States—is solvent.

The Franklin New York Corporation announced late this afternoon that it had requested the Securities and Exchange Commission to cootinue the trading suspension on its pub-licly quoted shares and bonds for a further 10-day period.

**Discussions** 

on Skyship

Plans for an airship weighing 800 tons constructed in the shape of a flying saucer were outlined in Loodon yesterday.

Called the Skyship, it would cost up to £15m to build, would be perfected by the property of the same palls. Force

be powered by ten Rolls-Royce

Type turboprop engines mounted around its 700 feet

diameter hull, and would cruise

at around 100 mpb between 5,000 and 7,000ft.

Mr John West, a marina enginaar, designed Skyship and a company called International

Skyship (Transport) Ltd, bas been established to oversee the

commercial and operational aspects of this revolutionary

craft.
Mr West said yesterday wind tunnel tests and feasibility stodies bad been successfully

completed, whila discussions over financial backing were

going on with two companies. Skyships would have as their

lifting ageot the inert gas balium. They bave been designed mainly as bulk cargo carriers, able to lift a payload

of 400 metric tons but, accord-

ing to their developers, they would have important military

One Skyship would be able to

transport in a single lift two infantry battalions.

Rome, May 23.—Provisional figures published here show that

Italy incurred a trade deficit for

the first quarter of this year totalling 1,964,000m lire (£1,305m), writes John Earle.

This resulted from a 95 per cent rise in imports over the

same period last year and a two-

thirds rise in exports. For March alone, the trace gap was

Italy's payments gap

at record £1,305m

financing

By Arthur Reed

Air Correspondent

A spokesman for the bank had no comment to make on the volume of the bank's borrowings, but edmittad that agreement bas been made to obtain funds from the Federal

Reserve System."
The bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Franklin New York Corporation and the spokesman said that a revised first-quarter earnings report was likely to be published on Tuesday. It bas admitted significant losses on the foreign ex-change market, but the revised report is widely expected to show most substantial losses arose from domestic bond marker operations and over-extended positions in the Federal funds and Eurodollar markets. Secretary of the Treasury, and a

Dry docks which could be used for shipbuilding, and other facilities for possible work in connexion with North Sea oil developments bave been

developments bave been acquired by Yarrow (Sbip-

builders) on the npper Clyde

from the Swan Hunter Group.
Yarrow has bought the ship
repair yard occupied by Barclay
Curle & Co at Elderslie for an

undisclosed sum. About 800 workers employed at the repair yard will be offered employment with Yarrow—"in the most appropriate category"—at the same rates of pay and coolisions as there of other Yarrow.

ditions as those of other Yarrow

Swan Hunter stated that the

sale would give better prospects of job continuity to the Barclay

Curle workers. The yard had faced problems because of the

decrease in the number of

ships trading regularly to the

Independent record retailers are making a bitter protest against the price cut "war" launched by the W. H. Smith group, which bas brought some prices down by more than 20

Retailers say that WHS, whose

reduced price drive was swiftly followed by Boots, are taking an

unfair advantage of the Government's pressure on profits to squeeze out High Street competition.

Formal objections bave been

sent to Mr John Methyen, the Director General of Fair Trad-

ing, by the Gramophone Record Retailers Committee, the re-tailers arm of the Music Trades

Association

By Patricia Tisdall

By Peter Hill

workers.

Yarrow buys Swan

Hunter repair yard

A spokesman for Yarrow said engines it manufactures.

Protest by record shops

The Wali Street Journal, quoting usually reliable sources, reported that Franklin's borrowings at the Fed are now around \$1.100m

In an interview with The New York Times, Mr Smith said that after ao initial investigation into Franklin's affairs "my position is the same as before—it is a solvent bank ".

Mr Smith said he had asked Mr Michaele Sindooa, largest shareholder in the Franklin New York Corporation with an interest of about 22 per cent, to placa his Fracklin interests in a voting

Mr Smith said Mr Sindooa bad agreed and that be would ask Mr David Kennedy, former

the dry docks and considerable

wbarrage facilities-next to

Yarrow's present yard—would be integrated into Yarrow and

provide the company with fit-ring-out and docking capabilities

suitable for its specialist sbip-building ectivities.

the longer term one or mora of

the dry docks will be used for shipbuilding purposes. In addi-tion, the company will now bave scope to extend its operations into other activities including

work connected with North Sea

oil developments, should this be

in the best interests of the com-

pany and its employees in future years," be added.

Swan Hunter made it clear

yesterday that the change in

ownership of the dry docks would not affect the Barclay

Curle engine works at White

inch, a subsidiary of the Swan

Hunter Group, which had a full order book for the main marine

director of Harlequin Records which, with 52 shops, is the largest specialist record dealer, said yesterday that members feared that monopolistic situa-tions could decaler, in cortain

tions could develop in certain

Record manufacturers, too, ere believed to be unhappy about the cuts. Talks are believed to be taking place between at least one big supplier and the WHS group. Manufacturers are anxious to prevent

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the Gramophone Record Re-tailers Committee bas sent pro-

saying that the cuts could be the

beginning of a monopoly whera

After an emergency meeting

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"Also, it is possible that in

bolding companies, to be the trustee. Mr Smith added that "as trustee for the stock Mr Kennedy brings unquestioned integrity".

A big attempt is being made by the Controller of the Cur-rency and the Fed to restore confidence in the Franklin. Bankers and the New York markets remain sceptical, nowever, and for them the most important factors will be the revised firstquarter earnings statement and the results of the Securities and Exchange Commission's investi-

gation. Franklin originally reported that first-quarter net operating earnings had slumped 83 per cent to \$582,000.

# OC says

scribed as only an "economic policeman " and was never intended to exercise powers of dictatorship over the wbola economic life of the country.

This description was given in the High Court yesterday by Mr Leonard Lewis, QC, who was continuing his submissions on behalf of the General Electric Company and its subsidiaries. They are challenging the Price Commission's interpretation of the Price and Pay Code in rela-

Mr Lewis told Mr Justice Mocatta that the code was only a recommendation of the Trea-sury and had no legislative effect. Everybody was advised see that this was done. Its functioo was to stop an nudne

Mr Lewis said that since the acquisition of Associated Electrical Industries, and the merger with the English Electrical Co, there had been a substantial increase in the liquid assets of

In consequence, GEC bad placed money on sbort deposit. They had acquired government and other dated securities. They

The income amounting from these sources was £8,396,673 in the year ended March 31, 1973, compared with £1,432,454 in the previous year and would be substantially greater in the current

The bearing continues today.

## Price panel no dictator.

The Price Commission was de-

tion to limiting profits.

to observe the code and the pur-nose of the commission was to

The basis of the GEC's case against the commission is that in fixing a profits reference level, it wrongly took into account interest received on certain invest-

had made loans to various com panies.

#### Germany buys US Treasury

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, May 23

Bankers in New suggested today that West Germany bad bought \$600m (about \$250m) of non-marketable Treasury Notes.

This could not be confirmed at government departments, but the purchase would be consistent with the West German Federal Bank's policies, which has made purchases oo a similar scale in the past. The reports tended to boost Treasury Bill

and Note prices bere.
Federal Fund rates soared as it became increasingly evident that the Federal Reserve system is a large purchaser in the markets, after having greatly increased money market liquidity last week to aid the ailing Franklin National Bank and to ensure that excessively right money conditions did no endanger other banks.

Car output slips

Disputes in the motor industry are blamed as the chief cause for the dip in car output in the United Kingdom last month to below the seasonally adjusted February and March levels. Weakness in demand at home and overseas also contributed to the fall off.

Recorded production of cars according to the Department of Industry was 115.328 in April an average of 28,832 a week and 8 per cent lower than a year earlier, when output was also depressed.

depressed.
Commercial vehicle produc-tion in April at 31,800—a weekly rate of 7,950—was the highest since December last year and 5 per cent more than April last

Aluminium spurt

There was a 10 per cent in crease in world aluminium out-put in April compared with a year earlier. Production in the non-communist countries was 901,000 connes against \$21,000 tonnes in April last year.

Launch delayed

Unofficial industrial action by boilermakers at Swan Hunter Shipbuilders delayed the launch of the supertanker Windsor Lion yesterday

Freights up 10 pc

Increases of 10 per cent in freight tariffs will be implemen-ted by member lines of the South and South East African Freight Conference in August this year. The lines blame continuous cost increases for the move.

Pacific shipping links

Ocean Group of Liverpool are baring talks with Swedish and Norwegian interests to establish a 30-ship joint trans-Pacific ser-vice between North America and South-East Asia.

Mersey dock strike

The port of Liverpool was halted for four bours yesterday afternoon by a lightning unoffi-cial strike of 5,800 dockers which kept 42 vessels, including 36 ocean-going freighters, idle on both banks of the Mersey.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Why UK reactors are failing to sell abroad

Sir, I refer to Mr Holder's letter (May 10) and whilst I agree with much he says, particularly in respect of savery, I still find it hard to understand the thought processes which would lead an overseas utility to choose SGHWR at this present time.

Many high-powered artempts, carrying full government backing, have been made to sell SCHWR abroad since the proto-type at Winfrith operated soccessfully. I remember particu-larly Australia, Finland, South Africa and Greece where large teams were engaged for considerable periods.
All failed, and I believe the

real reason to be because there was no representative prototype working at the 600MWe size the customer wished to buy.

I also find it difficult to
believe that our technical credi-

believe that our technical credi-bility remains high enough, fol-lowing our experience in trying to scale up the AGR, for any small overseas utility to be prepared at this time to pur-chase SGHWR merely because now, rather belatedly and reluctantly, our own utility is pre-pared to commence construction.
The overseas utility is in

business to make money; he cannot afford to take even the slightest unnecessary risk. He requires the assurance of reli-able cheap power delivered on time. At 300MWe and above

#### Short address for a licence

From Mr Peter Davidson

Sir, Having incorrectly com-pleted an application for the renewal of my driving licence, it was returned to me to alter. Thoughtfully, a printed return label was included in the enve-lope. It read: M.2906 (This number was in

andwriting). The Licensing Branch Director-General's Depart-

Greater London Conneil,

South West Area Office, Park House, 165-177 The Broadway, Wimbledon, London, SW19 INH.

My secretary tells me that, were this to be typed—as it must be many rhousands of times a year—it would take 205 key impressions. Is this a record? Ever willing to experiment, I

spurped the return label and addressed an envelope to Driving Licences M2906. London, SW19 1NH.

Since I now have my licence, we may assume my reply was sufficiently addressed. My shortened version took 39 key im-pressions—19 per cent of the original I saved 81 per cent of the key impressions. Is this a

record? P. DAVIDSON, Avenue Général Larrigue 105, Woluwe-St-Lambert,

the LWR are proven and cheaper. Long-term loan facili-ties are available. The fuel supply problem is similar, ie, requires importation of en-riched uranium for SGHWR and LWR. Heavy water, however, represents a further import bill affecting balance of payments and is only applicable to the SCHWR.

to the SGHWR.

What then is the incentive that drives the overseas utility to prefer SGHWR? Perhaps Mr Holder could enlarge on the "commercial and technical reasons" mentioned in his letter.

In eight to 10 years time, if we have their built and proven we have their built and proven a series of larger SGHWRs to modern safety standards, then we would I think assuming parity on prace and commercial terms, be able to develop a market. In the meantime, if nuclear reactors are really economic down to 100 MWe sizes against all fossil fuels, then surely the prototype at Win-

surely the prototype at Win-frith is a good enough model for this size.

Fairey Engineering should be encouraged to take all the orders they can get at this size as an early success might well help to point the way in which the fuclear industry should be

beading. Yours faithfully, G GILL 8 Saltram Road. Farmborough,

#### Confusion over foreign cheques

From Mr J. R. Wistow Sir. The Business Diary entry of May 10 /headed "Checking up" was a little confusing. especially when you attempted to explain tha meaning of the word protest in connexion with the collecting of a foreign cheque.

Apparently a customer of a bank asked his branch to collect for him the preceeds of an American cheque Among instructions that can be given to a bank collecting foreign paper is one concerning the protesting, and in countries with a British connexion, the ucing of non-payment or non-screptance of a bill of exchange of cheque.

This is a legal step whereby upon initial non-payment or non-acceptance of a bill, or cheque, a more formal presentation of it is made and a written declara-tion obtained usually by a notary public or some such person that the bill has been only presented and payment or acceptance refused.

As can be seen this is an option open to the customer and can be an important one if further action is contemplated. It has nothing to do with bank or other charges.;

I: R. WISTOW, Flar 10 40 Putney Hill.

Low cost pow high cost phor

Sir, At a time when elec prices are being debated myself puzzling over the lying reasons behind the of certain public service I have just paid my quelectricity bill of just or and also my quarterly tel bill of just over £11. V electricity for two fires, mersion heater, telrefrigerator, freezer cleaner, electric blanke toaster, as well as for hi We use the telephone ma domestic calls (only on seas, to Paris), for not mo

five minutes a day on a Yet although we are electricity continuously hours of the day often for appliances simultaneous electricity bill is less the telephone bill.

Both electricity and te companies have to ere works of transmission across the country, both maintain these insta both bave to administr organizations, etc.

I cannot see, fundant why the cost of doing should be more for the te than for electricity: if fundamentally more cos the other I should have that it would have bee

tricity but I do not wish the point.

However, and this crunch, an electricity c bas a large expense for generate the electricity transmits. It is this item reputed to be the main for recent increases in el

prices.
A telephona company such commitment. Can explain, then, why our of costing these two costing these two costings are such that cost that cost the cost of th telephone service cost than domestic electric

Is electricity effective dized, and the telephone of revenue? Or is ele managed efficiently and phone poorly? Or what Yours faithfully, R. A. WARREN.

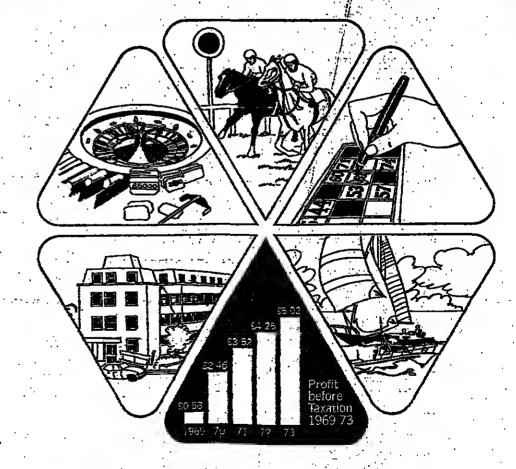
19 Rectory Road Farnborough, Hampshii Children's ta

From Mr James Joll Sir, I would like to supr Joll's cogently argue against the proposed aggregation of children's from 1974-75 on ( May 23).

It is manifestly unfair

proposed tax change such a severe effect, whi require the gross payme increased absurdly—per a factor of 10 times or n stora the status quo i of net disposable income ing mainteoance and payments as iovestmen than earned income do than add an illogical i fiscal injury since it n the recipient than the I Yours faithfully. AMES JOLL,

# "As leisure time expands, so will the Coral Leisure Group."



Mark Lane, Chairman of J. Coral Holdings Ltd., speaks in his circulated statement of the benefits to the shareholder of the company's long term plans and its achievements for 1973.

Bookmaking...Produced over £1m. of extra profit in 1973. Number of shops now 623. Turnovercurrently running at over £100m.a year."

"Casinos... Attendances running at highest-ever level. ... we feel hopeful of increasing the profits of this division in 1974."

"Bingo... A major new trading division which is already proving to be highly profitable."

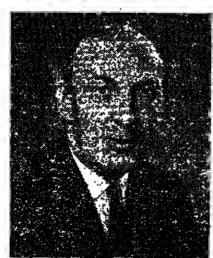
Property... First contribution from J. Coral Estates Ltd., in 1973 accounts. Mark Lane Investments Ltd., engaged on a number of projects, including prestige leisure development at Blackpool."

"New Ventures... Active investigation of projects abroad including developments in Madrid and the

🔀 J. Coral Holdings Ltd.

Parent company to the Coral Leisure Group Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Secretary, Berkeley Square House, London WIX 5PE.

#### tha majority of sales are con-trolled by a bandful of big retail companies. Mr Laurie Krieger, chairman of the committee and managing British Home Stores



SIR MARK TURNER.

#### 'Real growth maintained'

	52 weeks to 30th March 1974 £'000	52 weeks to 31st March 1973 £'000	Increase
Sales Trading Profit Profit before taxation Dividends per ordinary share:	121,021 17,847 15,464	98,940 15,089 13,342	22.3 18.3 15.9
Interim Final Total gross equivalent	2.7625p 3.6347p 9.3713p (*adjusted fo	2.45p* 3.7975p 8.925p or comparison	ı)

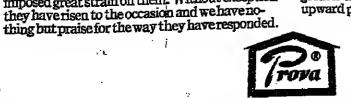
#### Points from the Chairman's Statement

- Although we have contained prices as much as possible, there is no doubt that inflation has been a major factor in the year's sales increase. Thereal volume growth of our turnover is probably in the region of 11 or 12%. In all the circumstances this still shows a highly satisfactory increase in our share of the market and in view of the relatively small effect of increased selling space, approximately 2%, confirms the trend of higher volume sales on existing counter footage.
- During the current financial year new stores will be opened at Aberdeen, Grimsby, East Kilbride, Newcastle and Sutton Coldfield, the last two replacing existing stores, whileseveral major extensions will be completed. Growth at about the same rate is planned over the coming

the past year and in particular the three day week

imposed great strain on them. Without exception

- Our suppliers of goods and services have been experiencing similar difficulties to ourselves over
- The results we have achieved in the difficult. environment we have had to face has reinforced the confidence I have in those who work for us at all levels. I am concerned at the combined effects on staff generally, and on senior and middle management in particular, of prolonged salary curbs on the one hand and increases in personal taxation on the other. The permitted increases in salaries have failed to keep pace with the rising cost of living and the latest increase in taxation has left people who work long hours in a position where their take home pay today is worth far less than it was two years ago."
- Counter inflationary legislation including arbitrary cuts in margins, increased taxation and rising costs have added to the problems we have to face. It is not the intention of our company to allow itself to be dominated by these adverse factors. We intend to expand our business, to increase our sales in real as well as money terms. and to achieve through continued economies and greater turnover a further improvement in our upward profit record.



BRITISH HOME STORES

#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

# The defensive case for buying Beecham

e strength of the pre-ar's second half, only outrageous optimists are been expecting to hold the pace of the right through to the Not, of course, that was ever likely to he y was ever likely to he victim of rhe three-day roduction, in fact, was roughly normal levels lost of the domestic is through the final and the much more (and ongoing) problem by flat second half for ingdom profits was that y rising costs.

out the whola of the 3 per cent second-half theo, bas been generbe overseas operations.

r the year as e whole
miboted some 70 per
the overall gain. Tha
e is of growth across a
mt, both in pharmaceu.
d consumer produces. consumer producers laggard proving the side, or, more pre-te cosmetics side—in Europe.

the shares at 215p and 10.4 times latest earnmain question would e how much farther tha wisbes to carry the t, in a year when many s will be bard put even ain earnings. Beecham be one of the few with able chance of getting growth target in this and 15 per cent. On that might expect that the d start to turn for the last to turn for the last to turn for the last the market is that the market is that the market is the meagre 3.2 per ceot do the Labour Government of the labour government intentions towards the entical industry.

73-74 (1972-73) arion f310m rolits 155m (£43.8m) s per share 20.6p (17.7p) i gross 6.89p (6.56p)

#### aulds rseas

of forecasting, in the weke ig programme, that pre-prits of £100m would be ad within "the next few So there must be some e over yesterday's splent of preliminary results rofits at £116.3 m.

naulds has evidently a killing in export and as markets for much the reasons as ICI. Wide miles in United Kingdom ropean markets for fibres d throughout 1973. Overmpanies' sales grew by a quarter last year, but by the way the tax has moved here profits by more than twice that,

he ourgins on exports are beco exceptionally he United Kingdom, appears to have held at throughout the year, nestic sales up by 13 per ut, inevitebly, there must be the best less than the bes worry as to whether last beceptionally high level litability can be main-

he demestic side, con-demand looks fragile, i prices, with the excep-cotton are holding firm, jor planned increases in ipacity will not appear oid 1975. On the other c current year will beer the hrunt of increased terial costs, in contrest to dsome stock profits that cloud swell the latest hares, at 108p have been against the market over

t few months, but a fully



Lord Kearton, chairman of Courtanids: making earlier profit predictions look conser-vativa

taxed p/e ratio of 5.7 is taking e justifiably cantions view of 1974, and the implications for the textile cycle.

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73) Capitalization, £293m Soles, £957m (£777m) Pre-tax profits, £116.3m (£68.2m)
Earnings per share,
31.050p (19.236p)
Dividend gross, 7.579p (7.219p)

#### Lonrho

### The course of

COMMODITIES

Being so dependent upon the course of commodity prices, any projection of Lonrho's pre-tax profits for the current financial year must be a hazardous exercise. But there can be few complaints about the interim figures with profits up two-thirds to £16m, and progress apparently heing experienced throughout the group, particularly in this country in sbipping and textiles—a useful factor in terms of the remittahility content.

Sugar contributed nothing in Sugar cent agains

Sugar contributed nothing in oths ago Courtaulds was the second quarter—the usuel forecasting in the weke seasonal pattern—but what does one make of an average world price last year of £99.62 e ton and the expectation in some querters that the spot price could well reach £300 hefore the year is out, implying perhaps an average price well over £200, on Lonrho's increased production?
The half year also henefited from the strong copper and gold prices—the latter through the

45 per cent controlled Ashanti Coldfields while the half owned Western Platinumis huilt np productive capacity. And prospects for the Wankel eogine now seem to have taken a turn for the het-ter on the back of greater fuel

But profits performance is not the name of the game in terms of the share price. One must wait for recovery in status which will be reflected possibly by a meaningful institutional steke in the equity. And until this happens, little sustained upward movement is likely from the present 69p desnite the 7 per cent yield and prospective p/e ratio of around 3.

Interim: 1973/74 (1972/73). Copitalization £49.8m. Sales £144m (£110m).

Pre-tax profits £16.0m (£9.6m).

#### Beating best ...

Ozalid

#### expectations

Ozalid has lived up m its promise with a heady set of second-half figures thet bave left profits for 1973 27 per ceot higher at

£7.36m, comfortably above market targets of around £7m. More over, its view of current perind prospects is less guarded than most; having come through the three-day week virtually intact thanks to standby power, it is ooce again hudgeting for more profit, although significantly the growth is likely to come from overseas. That squares with the 1973 trend when oversees husiness accounted for 55 per cent of sales.

At home warning were under

At home, margins were under At home, margins were under pressure early on with Ozalid pointing out that there had been no general price increeses for many of its reprographic products since the beginning of 1972. The prices logiam broke in the second balf, however, and on the back of rapidly rising prices of, for instance, chemicals prices of, for instance, chemicals for sensitized paper, it reckons to have got increases averaging some 27 per cent since November. At the same time, chemical formulotions were changed to adapt to new cost circumstances. If anything, the pictore over-ses bas been somewhat more flexible.

The ambition then, must be to hold margins ec home and continue to fatten them up in overseas territories, and there is no reason why this should not be achieved

Not that Ozalid's defensive qualities heve escaped the market's notice. With the shares at 175p, selling at 11 times historic earnings and yielding 4.1 per cent, the rating is suitably ambitious. One doubt though, which the accounts will answer; liquidiry may look slightly more strained than a year ago. It would not be surprising to see Ocalin going for a long-term funding operation.

Pro-tax profits £7.36m (£5.79m) Earnings per share 15.9p (13.5p) Dividend gross 7.16p (6.82p)

# Demand remains

Wedgwood had a strong final quarter with profits going aheed by 42 per cent against a sales rise of 25 per cent; and this seems to point to improvements at one or more of the three loss-makers—Royal Tuscan, Wedgwood Glass and Crown Staffordshire, Moreover, that final quarter gain would have been 77 per cent but for the feet thet. 72 per cent but for the fect thet-currency profits have been added to the 1972-73 pre-tax figure which has been restated from £2.53m.

Overall, the prospect for Wedgwood this year is mixed. Demand remains good, particularly in the all-important North American markets. Almost two thirds of total sales are exported although just how much longer these overseas markets will absorb cost increas

cannot be recovered in the United Kingdom is an open In addition to raw material cost problems, such as china clay, china stone, bone and glazes, Wedgwood now faces difficulty obtaining supplies for the first time in many years. How much this affects the pictures of the picture of ture for the current year should become cleerer when the annual hecome cleerer when the annual report is made. Meanwhile, the shares at 110p where the historic p/e ratio is 51, look fairly valued against the market. The dividend is covered 7.2 times by net earnings and offers a yield of only 3.75 per cent so there is no reason to hold the sharea on income grounds either.

Capitalization £12.9m Sales £29.2m (£23.1m) Pre-tax profits £4:24m (£2.74m) Earnings per share 19.97p (14.68p) Dividend gross 4.135p (3.938p)

Final: 1973-74 (1972-73)

# The threshold "clock", as it is known in Vhiteball, reaches

zero hour today. All rbe indications are that it will trigger a double, if oo; indeed a triple, detenation in the form of automatic par increases at toe cud of next week for those who have taken advantage of this provi-sion of the Phase Three pay

Specifically, if the retail price index (RPI) for April to be published later today reaches 198.4 per cent, ir will trigger a 40p a week rise for those covered by threshold clauses. If it reaches 200.3 it will trigger an 80p a week rise; end if it reaches 202.1, it will trigger a £1.20p a

Best guesses put the outcome very close to 202.1, psrtly hecause the April figure 1s always boosted exceptionally by the annual increase in local authority rates.

The crucial question for policy at this moment—and looking ahead to the Government's pre-parations for a non-statutory successor to Phase Three as a main instrument of pay restraint and therefore of inflation control—is whether the threshold mechanism is indeed an infernal machine for accelerating the pro-cess whereby pay and nrices chase each other round the limitless spiral of cost inflation. If it is such e menace, what can be done to dismantle it before byper-inflation is npon us?

As a mechanism for accelerating the pay-price spiral, threshold agreements turn out on examination to be surprisingly inefficient, at least as provided for in a Phoesity of the surprising the surprisin for in the Phase Three pay code. First, prices beve to rise 6 per cent before the cost of living feed-back effect on pay begins to operate (up to 40p per week for every 1 per cent beyond the 6

per cent).
Secondly, there is about e seven-week lag between prices reaching e particular level (and even that is only taken to the neerest whole percentage point below the actual rise rerorded, although the RPI itself may be rounded up as well as down) and pay being affected. Indeed, for monthly-paid staff the delay

ls over 10 weeks.

Thirdly, 40p is by now significantly helow 1 per cent of the national average wage for men (now close to £50 per week), although sioce it is also payable for women where employees have been able to make such arrangements with the employers, it mey not be much below average earnings of men and women. In practice, however, it appears that employers have resisted full thresbold edjust-ment clauses at 40p a week for

women and for others paid markedly below £40 a week. Fourthly, threshold egree-ments have been extended to a mere fraction of the total labour force—6.9 million on the latest official estimate. But some qualified observers believe this to be a serions underestimate hecause many threshold arrangements are not reported to the Pay

Fifthly, a 1 per cent rise in pay costs, even where it is on top of principal settlements in excess of productivity gains, have e less than 1 per cent effect on prices in the short term—

1 per cent "excess rise" in labour costs should add something very close to 1 per cent to prices in a closed economy and in an open economy it should add a fraction of 1 per cent to prices equivalent to the share of home production in home sales—about 0.8 per cent in the

-about 0.8 per cent in the United Kingdom.

This assumes that indirect taxation, profits, rents (and indeed depreciation) adjust to maintain e constant proportion of total income and total costs. In theory the operation of the price code may be thought to be price code may he thought to be likely to frustrate such edjustment. But it seems nulikely that real profit margios can be squeezed significantly further

# 'Thresholds' of hyper-inflation or cost of living safeguards

1 Month	2 PPI at 1,231 a per mesih from Aeriti (Jan 180 = 100)	3 Percent rise over October 73 tess 6 percent threshold	: Threshold payment in month per man per week	5 Numbers eligible <sup>2</sup>	6 Effect on Dec 1 74 RPII	7 Effect or June *75 PPI1
April May June July Aug Sept Oct	202.11 204.6 207.2 209.3 212.4 215.1 217.7	3° : 42'6 5' > 7' o 8' o 10' o 11' o	June 120p July 40p Aug 40p Sept 80p Oct 40p Nov 80p Dec 40p	6.9m 7.1m 7.3m 7.5m 7.5m 7.5m 8.1m	0.49% 0.13% 0.11% 0.17% 0.06% 0.06%	0.66% 0.20% 0.19% 0.35% 0.16% 0.29% 0.12%
			Cumulated offe	est on P.P.I.	1.02%	1.97%

On assumptions that 1 per cent rise in national average wages (in excess of increase in productivity) adds 0.6 per cent to RPI in 6 months and 0.8 per cent in 12 months and that average wage in April of men and women eligible was £42 per week.

Present total plus conservative estimate of future threshold settlements.

Allowing for minimal feed-back effect of early threshold payments.

#### Peter Jay asks if threshold agreements will start a limitless inflationary spiral

cleck stops in October 1974. One of the necessary conditions for threshold agreements not to be counted against the permissible limits for principal settlements is that "the arrangement runs for not more than 12 mooths from the date of publication of the the RPI figure for October 1973 \* (Price and Pay Code,

para 176(ii)).
The RPI figure for October 1974 is due to be published towards the end of next November; and therefore the last Phase Three threshold payments will be due at the end of the first week in December for, for monthly paid staff, at the end of

December).
When these frictions, leakages and delays are taken together, it is possible to estimate very roughly whet the once-and-for-all impact of Phase Three thresbolds on the RPI by the end of this year and by the middle

of next year might be.
The precision in the take is entirely spurious, being the pro-duct of many approximations;

hut it suggests a very modest order of magnitude indeed. Even this overstates the true impact of threshold clauses on the RPL although the effect on industry's unit costs and so possibly on the competitiveness of exports and all will be more

serious. First, no allowance is made in the calculation for the fact that principal settlements mey well have been lower because of the availability of threshold clauses or more strictly the previous Government might have felt obliged to draw the terms of

obliged to draw the terms of Fhase Three for principal sertlements even more loosely than they did, had they not felt able to permit thresbold clauses. Secoodly, no allowance is made for the impact of threshold agreements during 1974 on the next round of principal settlements next references.

settlements next winter. Officially, much importance is artached to this point. The argument is that rhe traditional trade upion negotiation starts estimated by Tim Congdon in to cover the cost of living rise during the current settlement.

Of per cent.

In the long-term, of course, a ohle with chapter and verse to ohle with chapter and the course has been a constant to an increase with a cover the cost of living rise during the current settlement.

This time employers will be only with chapter and the course to other with the cost of living rise during the current settlement. demonstrate—to those who have heen covered by threshold agreements—that all but 6 per cent of that potentially very lerge rise bas already heen paid

on account.

Thirdly, had no other inflationary forces been at work (or only ro the extent of 6.9 per cent a year), the threshold clauses would not have been triggered at all and there would still have been the gain of lower principal

Settlements.

Certaioly that gamble has failed spectacularly, as has the 3½ per cent growth assumption which the previous Government tonk when deciding the terms of Phase Three. Phase Three. But the consequential demage

than they already have been by is very limited compared with the operation of the price code the basic forces—rising import is such.

prices and excessive principal
Sixthly, the Phase Three pay settlements—which have

alreedy produced such a sharp rate of initation, including much that is still in the pipeline between costs and prices thence

in part the rapid continuing rate of growth in the RPI this year assumed in the table). What theo follows for policy? On the one hand, there is no crisis necessity to suspend by law the operation of those threshold agreements which have been and may yet be negntiated during Phase Three. On the other band it is probably desirable discourage that the discourage that the probability of th

able to discourage the wide appli-cation of threshold clauses in One should not be degmetic about this last point. If, for example, the Government thought it feced a choice between say, pure indexing with no principal settlements, threshold agreements triggered at X per cent (up to the soing inflaper cent (up to the going infla-

pal settlements of (N.1) per cent or principal settlements above the going rate of inflation without one cost of living adjustments thereafter, then the Chancellor would prohably prefer either of the first two alter-

netives.
But there are serious inherent disadveotages in threshold clauses which make them undesirable unless a clear and unmistakable outd pro quo in terms

of restraint over principal pay settlements is available. For one thiog, as Mr Healey has already complained in the Budget (and more expressively in privates, threshold cleuses embarrass short-term demand management, for example by making it difficult for the

Treasury to reise indirect taxes

during the currency of the threshold "clock".

For another thing, threshold clauses contribute to hreaking down "money illusion" and therefore to acceleratiog the rate at which pay chases the last price increases and brings on the wart once it may also

the next ones. It may also accelerate the rate at which employers pass pay increases through to prices. Whereas total indexing of pay mithout any principal settle-ments can be actually counter-

inflationary, total indexing of principal settlements which are in themselves excessive in rela-tion to productivity is the greatest engine of inflation that can he imagined. It may be argued that "money illusion" is already in such tat-

ters that nothing can damage it further. But while people have widely come to recognize the fact of rapid inflation, they are still slow to acknowledge the implications for themselves and their pay of accelerating inflation. Anything which lubricates the process of pay-price causality must, Ceteris exacerbate inflation. Ceteris paribus,

The crucial question for Phase Four—or the social compact or whetever it is to be called—is, of course, whether the total level of pay settlements under it will be such as to enable the going rate of inflation to begin to moderate. If it does not, the out-look for social democracy as well as for the economy will be ineffable. If it does, another chance ro avoid self-destruction may be efforded.

For the going rate of inflation

to moderate it will he necessary for pay settlements to run signi-

21st March

cantly below the sum of the rate of inflation plus the going rate of productivity growth. Because productivity gains are now so doubtful, the going rate of inflation offers the safest maximum for pay settlements including the effects of any future indexage.

the effects of any future indexa-tion of threshold agreements. To achieve that, the Government's contributions to the social contract will have to be given great weight, not just by the TUC, but also and much more importantly by work forces on the shopfloor. If threshold payments under Phase Three are eccepted as payments on account against price rises in 1974, there is a chance that the gamble

is a chanca that the gamble could work. All of this ignores rhe important question of the level of economic activity next winter. If there is a huge rise in unemployment, as some of the best forecasters in the country still strongly predict, then trade union "goodwill" may exaporate sharply—though if the rise in unemployment was big enough so also might their

tions.

If, despite rising unit costs inflated by threshold payments, the hoped-for export "miracle" takes the place of home demand and moderates the recession, then we shall see a decisive test of whether "goodwill" in a fairly tight lebour market can yield restraint in pay—a restraint moreover which will mean that for the second year running the average man will enjoy no real increase in his standard of living at all and very possibly a net reduction over the

#### Preliminary Announcement

# COURTAULDS

### Profit and Dividend 1973/74

The results for the year to March show record exports, record capital investment, record total sales, and record profits. The Group made a net contribution of £155m. to the the U.K. current balance of payments from its own exports and overseas earnings after allowing for its own imports and other foreign exchange Year to The detailed figures are:

-	1974 Lm.	1973 £m.	Increase o:
World Sales to External Customers	956.8	777.I	23
Exports from United Kingdom	217.8	145.4	50
Profit before Taxation (after			
depreciation £41.9m 1973 £37.0m.)	116.3	68.2	71
Profit after Taxation	89.4	55-9	60
Courtaulds Shareholders' Interest	84.1	52.2	61
	P/Share	PiShare	
Earnings per Ordinary Share	<b>31.05</b> 0	19.236	·

Expenditure on new assets in the year amounted to £90.7m. (1973 The improved results derive substantially from the increased volume

of sales, especially exports at profitable prices, and from overseas activities. Sales in the U.K. were up by 13% and those of overseas Taxation amounted to £26.9m. (1973 £12.3m.), including £12.2m.

abroad (1973 £8.0m.) and £3.2m. of Advance Corporation Tax (1973 The Board intends to recommend a final dividend of 3.441p per 25p

Ordinary Share, which together with the imputed tax credit is equivalent to a gross dividend of 5.136p making a total of 7.579p for the year. Under the Government's Counter-Inflation regulations this is the maximum permitted. It compares with 7.219p in 1972/73. The cost of the Ordinary and Preference dividends is £14.1m. (1973 £15.5m.) after deducting Advance Corporation Tax of £6.6m. (1973 on final only £4.2m.). The accounts will be posted on 24th June 1974 and the Annual General

Meeting will be held on 17th July 1974. The Ordinary Final Dividend will be paid (if approved) on 25th July

to shareholders on the register on 23rd May 1974. L. R. Croydon Courtaulds Limited

Secretary,

18 Hanover Square, Lendon W1A 2BB. 33rd May 1974

#### Of arms and the chairman Business Diary: City grime

Heath's "unacceptable capitalism" seems in the capitalism "seems in the beve given way since the n to the unecceprable face alism. There is, bowevet, panse of arguably unacle face remaining. This indeniably grimy exterior by City buildings, which was a relation to their and, in relation to their ours and to the megoifi-cleaning jobs done on full and upon the Law in The Strand.

oes, Dirry's Ross Pavies round a few stone-cleaners is high what were some of thy's scrufflest exteriors, main the cleaning firms' speecd neither God nor ion, and so here—with ies to those huildings, as the Mausion House, is due for cleaning, and is due for cleaning, and se, like the Great Eastern ripe for redevelopmentre some of the edifices the would most like to get scrubbing brushes upon. ing Marimon first, and in there is the Overseas House, Moorgate, the Lyonnais, Lombard and the Netional Safe

sit io Great Victoria Street. e Ennbers' Clearing House ng William Street receives unograbic mention, as does

in St Martin's le Grand or in King Edward Street. Mincing Lane bas grey areas, the Cory Building exterior in Fenchurch Street definitely belongs to the age of ateam and an appro-priately Calvinist eloom per-vades the Royal Baux of Scarland in Bishopsgate.

sanctity is sullied by the hangdog look of St. Stephen's; Walbrook; by Sr Magmus the Martyr, Lower Thames Street, St Andrew and Sr Catherine, Leedenhall Street and by St Magtin's Ludgate Hill Martin's Ludgate Hill.

All these are set a poor example by the Houses of Parllament, with the Lords as grubby

ment, with the Lords as glubby
es the Commons, while even St
James's Palace could do with
some loving-care.
With the City fathers constantly telling us that their
parish has never been more the cynosure of all eyes, they seem to tolerate a remarkable amount of grime. It's all a for cry from the time described by Toackeray in his paper on Great City Snohs, when gentlemen wanting change

for a guinea would have it

brought in washed silver.

Engine test

Sir Kenneth Keith, chairman both of Hill Samuel and of Polls-Reyce (1971) Limited, is in the United States and may some thoroughfare. At therefore only yesterday have therefore only yesterday have caught up with reports of Tuestand the share of the share are the Government's request pull of the for the Fost of contracts with the Chilean cular order but a lot of other orders, too. in the United States and may



Dennis Landau : new boy makes

aero engines and the supply of engine spares. Sir Kenneth, wearing bis Rolls-Royce het recently addressed the British Institute of Management in Derby, Rollsof Management in Derby, RollsRoyec's home town, and after
referring to the inadvisability of
"serious cuts" in defence procurement, went on as follows:
"There is another aree that
worries me and that is the way

of favour when either they ne arrived at was the one she was

domestic political set-up, require reliability of delivery from their supplier, end they do not expect sudden chenges in political control at home or abroad to affect these deliveries." Presumally Sir Kenneth is now making up his mind wherber he, as Rolls-Royce chairman, also expects deliveries to be affected by sudden chaoges, and if he does not. what he ought to be doing about it. Sir Kenneth is, so far, resolutely unavailable for

Pet pests

East Grinstead, for those who

hoped

do not know the place, is e name redolent of Beryl Maudling's pet theatre, the Adelice Genee, and of the baleful maunderings that issue forth from the local Scientology heedquarters. However, there is also the odd chuckle to be had from another East Grinsteed source, the Fel-

court Laboratories of Rentokil, the pest control firm which went public in 1969. The firm's experts on the common furniture heetle were re-ceetly asked to furnigate a harp at the request of its owner, a ledy who said she needed it on

a journey she was about to make. A Rentokil spokesman

said yesterday that the stalf hoped the destination she

One other recent job was the tigathient for the same pest of a music cabinet, part of whose contents turned out to be the sheet music for a ditty entitled Little Creatures Everywhere.

pleasent duty of informing a 19-year-old Sheffield typist thet the holes peppering the four-ioch heels of her pletform shoes are not those made by the kind of bug that would later more on to the serious busines of the floorboards of her nome. The shocs, which cost \$5.99 and came from Spain, were apparently afflicted not with the furniture beetle but with Am-hro-to beetle. This, apperently, feeds on the fungus growing on

the new wood and dies off with

The lab staff now heve the

Outsider in

Dennis Landau, who is to be second-in-command to Arthur Sugden, chief executive of the Co-operative Wholesale Society. is, unusually for a top CWS men. an "outsider". Like Marks and Soencer, the

CWS usually cherishes long-serving members. Sugden, for instance, succeeds Alfred Wilson, who retires next mouth after 5; years as chief executive but after 51 years with the

Landau joined CWS three years and-by the society's standards a hat of an exclusion. He had, however, nut in a respectable 20-year apprenticerespectable 20-year apprentice-ship with Schweppes and by the time he joined CWS was a highly-regarded director of Cadbury Schweppes

Controller of the society's food division, 47 rear-old Landau is a member of the Metricetica Fourd and of the executive of the Food Manufacturers'

### **Base Rate** change

Barclays Bank International Limited announces that with effect from 23rd May 1974 its Base Rate was decreased from 121/2% to 12% per

The basic interest rate for deposits will remain at 912% per annum.



Highlights from the Report and Accounts

for the Year to 31st March 1974.

Assets

56,400,000

82,300,000

106,800,000

96,300,000

96,900,000

134,200,000

134,000,000

105,600,000

\* Before conversion of Convertible Dehenture Stocks

large amounts of short term deposit interest."

equivalent net figure of 11.2% for last year.

Total Revenue includes £220,000 of U.K. dividends

deferred from the previous year as well as unusually

Earnings and Dividends this year are declared net.

Earnings of 14.79% net compare with an approximate

Dividends of 121/2% net have been declared for the year

compared with the approximate equivalent of 111/2%

net last year. In addition a special non-recurring dividend of 11/2% net has been declared. As a result the

dividend rate has more than doubled over the past ten

The fall in U.K. markets during the year accounts for

Properties have shown only a modest fall in value by

of the portfolio and include major positions in leading

Cheapside House,

London, EC2V 6BL

by far the largest part of the reduction in Total Assets.

Oil and oil service companies now make up more than 12%

North Sea participants such as Halliburton and Burmah Oil.

Year to

31st March

1970

1971

1972

1973

REVENUE

CAPITAL

The British

Revenue

2,097,000

2,442,000

2,695,000

3,145,000

3,411,000

3,568,000

3,923,000

Investment Trust

Eernings

12,30

12,66

13.06

13.76

15.13

15.97

16.02

(net)

88% above the 1964 figure.

**FUTURE PROSPECTS** 

Dividend

12%

The Net Asset Value has fallen by 26%, but is still

Only nominal dividend increases can be expected

from U.K. companies in the current year, however

and interest rates are likely to continue at a high

Overall we are confident that we will be able to

maintain our basic dividend rate of 121/2% for the

In the U.K. a prolonged period of uncertainty for

industry and the stock market is indicated. Never-

In North America most of our investments are still

companies selling at historically cheap levels the

potential stock market recovery is attractive.

producing excellent figures. With many leading growth

in the longer term reward the patient investor.

theless high quality, well managed companies should

dividends from overseas should show further increases

#### FINANCIAL NEWS

### Housing slump brings prospect of Huge interim rise at 'appalling' year for London Brick | Associated Fisherie

The full implications of the slump in bousebuilding on the industry's major suppliers were hrought into sharp focus resterdey by Sir Ronald Stewart, chairman of London Brick Company, when be spoke to sharebolders at the annual meeting.

The company faces an "extremely poor " first balf to he followed by a "most disappointiog " year, Sir Ronald said. Brick deliveries were substantially down on last year; production bas bad to be cut (partly by pbasing out old plant); and unless there was a marked improve-ment in bousebuilding over the next few weeks more substan-

Asset Velue

89p

144%p

146p

206½p

202p

148½p

129p

per Ord. Shere

tial and damaging cuts in pro-duction appeared inescapable. He told shareholders that the

company had never known a position quite as bad as this. The first quarter had shown a fall of 46 per ceot in bousing starts and 1974 was likely to be an appalling year for housing. If present estimates proved correct only 245,000 houses would be started -83,000 down on last year and 105,000 lass than in 1972.

In eddition to all this cuts in government expenditure on other public sector work were beginning to bite, and would do so increasingly, while Government exhortation and money to local authorities was onlikely to bring a substantial improvement ably buoyant.

cation is to he made.

in the start of schemes this year. This left commercial and indus-trial building as the only sector where cooditions were reason

The financial implication for the company's margins and cash flow were serious and price control was making the position even more difficult. Following the approval of a 3 per cent price rise in February a further appli-

Sir Ronald said even a small would greatly assist the company and he saw the immediate task as weathering the present storm. Last year pre-tax profits grew from £7.6m to £8.9m. The shares fell by 4½p yesterday to close at

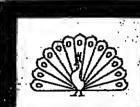
Reporting a huge half-year increase in pre-tax profits from £1.75m to £4.99m for the period ended March 31, Mr Paul Tapscott chairmen of Associated

government action on building grants, which adequate explanation.

" If the British fishi try is to be kept et an size and competitive wit fleets this is a matter national importance

CRODA INTERNATIO In spite of energy cr figures for first qua-good and Mr F. Wood. say he will be most dis if group does oot hav other successful year. there is no guarar growth will contioue rate and at this stage

FRANK GATES



Extracts from the Annual Report for 1973,

#### Group Turnover up 28% to £5,640,78 Pretax Profits up 37% to £482,083 **Equivalent Gross Dividend 37%**

abnormally uneven pattern of trading during 1973: S introduction of VAT It was not until the last quarter

Larger units were opened, though trading in some deferred, and smaller end less profitable units were sold profit. Resultant net iocrease of selling area was approx ately 48,000 sq. ft.

Accounts helped us take maximum advantage of increa demand in the first quarter of 1974, for sales were well on lest year despite the State of Emergency

are carrying out their own home improvements. Y Board ere actively saeking suitable new units from w to retail the ever-Increasing range of D.I.Y. produ



oyal Bank

Messrs. Coutts & Co. announce that, for balances in their books on and afte

the 23rd May, 1974

and until further notice, their Base Rate for lending is

The Deposit Rate on monies subject seven days' notice of withdrawal

Balances under £10,000. 91% per ar

#### Results

#### Assoc Eng go

Though showing e drop from 53.91m to 53.03m in pre-tax pro-fit for the opening half. Asso-ciated Engineering has per-formed much better than ex-pected two months ago when it forecast the outturn et some 52.25m. Turnover for the period rose 16 per ceot to £77.97m. Net profit sagged from £2.15m to from £1.93m to £1.21m. The interim dividend is 1.37p against 1.31p.

Exports in the letest half inreased 28 per cent and sales of overseas companies et the same rate. Combined, they represent some 39 per cent of total

As expected, profits were affected by the power strike and heavy costs incurred in minimizing the effects of restrictions, while interest payments rose from £1.39m to £1.99m. However, current indications are that second-half profits should match the £4.75m for the corre-sponding period. If this is the case, the total dividend will be maintained.

#### J. & J. Dyson slips

On turnover up 10 per cent to £8.56m for the six months to September 30, J. & J. Dyson, makers of refractory materials, turns in taxable profit down from £606,000 to £371,000, accompanied by a forecast of full-time earnings slightly above £1m compared with £1.41m. Two damaging influences were the oil price increases and the miners strike. On the brighter side, order books are full for domestic customers and for export. As known, the interim dividend is maintained at 1.87p.

bortive bid from St Martins Property Corporation still lin-gerlog, the board of Proprietors of Hay's Wharf has taken stock

The pre-tax is up from £1.49m to a record £1.73m, while the attributable stands at £1.17m, egainst £933,000. The gross inegainst 1933,000. The gross in-terim dividend rises from 1.83p, to 1.93p. The capital develop-ment time-table is being adhered to; the only hitch seems to be at the redevelopment in Tooley Street, where publication of the planning hriefs bas been

Had it not heen for the 5315,000 reduction in second-half profits caused by the national emergency, profits of the Armitage Shanks Group for the period would, as predicted,

The Brunning Group of adver-tising agents hoped to sustain profits for 1973-74 at around last year's £729,000. To the even, after an 8.7 per cent rise at mid-term the second half succumbed

#### over forecast

turnover.

#### £1.7m by Hay's Wharf

of the group's trading progress and found that interim taxable profits are slightly higher than hudgeted levels.

#### Armitage Shanks.

to the economic crisis, which pushed profits for the half down by 16.3 per cent to £350,000 and the year's figures by 5.6 per cent to £688,000.

bave beaten the £1\_94m achieved bave beaten the £1.94m achieved after six mouths. In the event, £1.88m was brought in, giving the group a record outturn of £3.8m, against £3.4m. Turnover went ahead from £20.4m to £22.9m. The dividend is raised from 7p to 9.17p as forecast.

#### Record interim profit from Stenhouse

Growing from £2.19m to a record £2.25m after six months Stenhouse Holdings, the insurance and industrial group, says the benefits of its merger with Reed Shaw Osler, of Canada, are now beginning to emerge and profits will continue to grow beyond the original projections, particularly in the United Kingdom.

After an extraordinary debit of 5718 000 (5121 000 credit)

of £218,000 (£121,000 credit) earnings a share stay at 3p. Total insurance broking profits rose from £2.86m to £3.67m with £2m (£1.57m) attributable to Stenhouse Holdings. Oo the industrial side the three-day week took its toll and profits were down from £697,000 to £474,000.

#### **Brockhouse**

Taxable profits of J. Brock-house, the West Bronwich based engineering group, nearly doohled from £505,000 to £1m in the half year to March 31. Turnover was up by 27 pc. cent, from £17.5m to £22.1m. The board believes that second balf results will he at least equal to those of the first, indicating a record £2m pretax.

#### Exchange Telegraph

Another record year has been achieved by the Exchange Telegraph (Holdings) group. Turnover for 1973-74 rose from £10.5m to £11.05m while taxable profits reached £1.81m, against £1.79m

Net profits are down from flm to £896,000 before adding extraordinary items of £479,000, against £31,000. These last are profits arising from the sale of leases and e subsidiary.

#### Pritchard Services

pansion of the Pritchard Services Group is still in its infancy, it has helped the group to with-stand difficult trading conditions stand difficult trading conditions and depressed profits from United Kingdom building cleaning. Following the interim rise in profits from £563,000 to £626,000, the group bes achieved & 10 per cent increase to a record £1487 feet 1072

£1.48m for 1973. Turnover is op from £18.6m to £26.8m, and earnings a share are down from 3.33p to 2.76p after adjusting for scrip.

#### Brunning foiled

# By Our Financial Staff

Fisheries, says that all group divisions contributed to this result. Sales rose from £30.7m to 237.8m. reflecting buoyant market conditions in the market for fish.

However, Mr Tapscott anticipates some slowing down of the growth rate over the rest of the year which will bear the main burden of what he terms "immense inflation of costs", including an increased fuel oil cost of £1.5m.

cost of 21.5m.
Associated Fisheries, with e fleet of 148 trawlers, is the United Kingdom's largest trawling group. Mr Tapscott emphasized the importance of

say what 1974 outcom

Taxable profits up fro to £514.000 last year, share were 15p (16.6p).

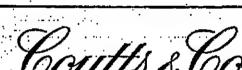
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by the Chairman Mr. Gerald Fogel, J.P.

# (28% last year)

sales returned to thair normal trading pattern.

With the continued rise in lebour costs, more per



12% per annum.

is as follows:

Balances of £10,000 and over 101% per

New Issue

91/4% Secured Notes Series "40"

Dated May 15, 1974

To Mature May 15, 1994

Price: 100 United States Funds

The sale of these Notes has been arranged privately by the undersigned.

Greenshields & Co Inc

Wood Gundy Incorporate

HALF-YEARLY RESULTS

23rd May, 1974

	Six mont	ins ended	Year ended
	31st N	Иarch,	30th Sept.,
	1974	1973	1973
	£ million	£ million	£ million
Turnover	144.3	110.4	235.95
Profit before Taxation:			
Group	12.7	8.2	23.93
Associates	3.3	1.4	5.44
	16.0	9.6	29.37
Taxation	8.2	<u>5.2</u>	14.04
Profits after Taxation	7.8	4.4	15.33
Minority Interests	3.0	<u>1.2</u>	<u>4.14</u>
Profit attributable to			
Lonrho shareholders (before extraordinary items)	4.8	<u>3.2</u>	<u>11.19</u>

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts may be obtained from The Secretary,

The British Investment Trust Limited, 46 Castle Street, Edinburgh EH2 3BR.

INTERIM STATEMENT

The unaudited results of the Lonrho Group of companies in respect

of the six months ended 31st March, 1974 are as follows:-



#### **Rate Changes**

National Westminster Bank announces that for balances in its books from and

including Thursday 23rd May, 1974, its

**Base Rate** 

for lending is

reduced from 121% to 12% per annum

and its Deposit Rate for balances

of £10,000 or more is

reduced from 11% to 104% per annum.

All other Rates, including its 7 day Deposit Rate for balances below £10,000 remains unchanged.

#### & COMPANY LIMITED En BUILDERS' MERCHANTS

nnual General Meeting 23rd May, 1974 he Chairman, Mr. E. J. Erith reported:

		1971	1972	1973
oup Sales	£000°s	7,550	8,863	10,902
oup Profit	£0003s	445	765	870
widend (Gross) r Share unit*	pence	5.00	5.25	5.5125
Adjusted.				

eview of 1973. Trading Profit was again at a record level d our future prospects were enhanced by the purchase two additional builders' merchants businesses. There s beeo coosiderable capital expenditure on premises which contribution to the increase in profitable ex-stock trade.

see achievements reflect great credit on the staff in a niten difficult conditions prevailing in the building

respects for 1974. Sales for the first four months are well youd our expectations, considering the economic climate in the effects of shortages caused by the three-day week. this trend continues and at present there is no indication at it will out, there should be a satisfactory increase in rading Profit in 1974. The Parent Company and Subsidiaries cluding the new acquisition, are all compluting to this sult. Subject to unforeseen circumstances the Dividend Il be increased up to Statutory limitations.

cith & Co. Ltd., Builders Merchants ead Office: 530 High Road, Leytonstone pudon E11 3EQ.

#### The Royal Bank of Scotland INTEREST RATES

The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited announces that with effect from 24th May 1974 its base rate for lending is being reduced from 121 per cent per annum to 12 per cent per annum.

The maximum rate of interest allowed on deposits lodged for a minimum period of seven days or subject to seven days' notice of with-drawal at the London Offices of the Bank will continue at 91 per cent per annum for balances under £10,000 and is being reduced from 11 per cent per annum to 101 per cent per annum on balances of £10,000 and over.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited, Head Office, PO.Box 31, 42 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh, EH2 2YE.

-- Consolidated external

-Cash flow

2. COMPARISON OF STATISTICS

Capital expenditure Research expenditure

Personnel expenditure

paid-up share Net dividend per fally

By main preduct groups : -Suda ash end caostic soda

-Chlorine and derivatives —Peroxygen chemicals —Plastics—resins end compounds

Net profit per fully

paid-up share Persoos employed at December 31

3. DISTRIBUTION OF ENTERNAL SALES

Sales per person employed 907

#### FINANCIAL NEWS

### Lesney is kept at full stretch

Though Lesney Products achieved record sales of £24m last year, it failed by a wide margin to meet orders, Mr Faul Tapscott, chairman, writes.

This was caused by shortages of labour and production facilities as well as by external strikes. Long-term plans will require ao additional, major production complex and the method of financing this is being studied. But Mr Tapscott asks how long shareholders will accept an "inedequate" return because of dividend restraint.

Lesney's return on capital was "quite favourable".

45. per cent fall in trading prolating the trading profits are down fits, while overseas operations arc, as expected, up one third. Total trading profits are down for the finish Inst over two weeks arc, as expected, up one third. Total trading profits are down by 12 per cent but this does not greed to held it wideods from associated companies.

On the present position, the chairman, Mr Ralph Bateman says that exports continue to be the bright spot, while at home material and labour sbortages, plus the effect of price controls on margins, cast a shadow. However is total 4.13p (3.93 revaluation of group prop shows a surplus of £4.6m.

Lesney's return on capital was is "quite favourable". Lesney's return on capital was
20 per cent last year, but its property throogbout the world is
being revalued and (because of
the bigher depreciation) the
return on capital will be
"depressed substantially".
Products bave been "repriced" to cover steep increases
in material costs. Orders are at
a record, every plaot should be
fully employed throughout this
year and "further progress"
sbould be achieved in results.

Turner & Newall

Success for York

Water preferred

£101.75.

The three day week did not uite take the toll of Turner & Newall's profits that was feared.

Issues & Loans

Following the poor response

Following the poor response to the most recept water company issues, the £1m 10 per cept offering of redeemable preference stock 1979 by York Waterworks Co, has got away with considerable success.

Applications were made for £3.77m of stock, and, against a minimum tender price of £100 per cept, the lowest price to obtain a partial allotment was £101.75.

The average price obtained was £102.3, Brokers to the issue were Seymour, Pierce and dealings will start today.

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#### Weather claims on Phoenix

The recent fluods in Australia are expected to cost Phoenix Assurance about £450,000 this year. And the tornadoes in the United States could possibly in volve the company in a further

Viscount De L'Isle told the annual meeting that the nature of the company's business was such that extraordinary losses from climatic courses most be expected only and again. He said it was too early to forecast the effect on results for the year.

Just over two weeks ago Brooke Bond Liebig made an agreed takeover bid for Baxters (Butchers) and Baxters reveal record turbover and profits for 1973-74. The group's full rax-able profit has bounded 58.8 per cent from £1.26m to £2m. Turnover went mp from £27.37m to £26.28m. A second integin of £36.2m. A second interim of 2.63p has been declared making the year's total 4.13p (3.93p). A revaluation of group properties shows a surplus of £4.6m.

GILL & DUFFUS
For 1973 turnover was £284.5m
and still higher figure expected
for 1974; group moving away from
dependence on cucoa.

WEIR GROUP Some improvement is seen for 1973, but first half will not be good.

BRIDON Mr Harry Smith, told share-holders that in spite of restrictions on power supplies, results for first quarter were better than for same period in 1972.

GRAMPIAN HOLDINGS Mr David Greig told shareholders that report and accounts showed preater achievement. Results for first quarter ahead of those for same period last year.

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# ASSOCIATED SHERIES

#### **HALF YEAR REPORT 1974**

66Tha trading result for the half-year ended 31st March, 1974 exceeded lest year by a useful margin. Whilst this result is very satisfactory it must be borne in mind that the immense inflation of costs, facing industry as a whole, will have a far greater impact on the ansuing months of the current finencial year. As mentioned in the Chairman's Statement with the 1972/3 Accounts, the full year will have to bear an increased fuel oil cost approaching £1.5m and the bulk of this will fall in the second half-year, when there will also be increased lebour costs.

With so many imponderables facing industry in general, and our industry in perticular, I would not wish to give any specific forecast at this stage of the likely result for the remainder of the financial year, although the longar term outlook for our activities continues to be promising.

In accordance with our usual calendar, tha Directors will declare a first Interim Dividend in September next, It is anticipated that this will be not less than last year's payment of 9% gross, including the imputed tax credit.99

P. M. TAPSCOTT, Chairman

Unaudited Accounts for six months to 31st March 1974 and comperative figures	Helf Yeer to 31st March 1974 £	Half Yaar to 31st March 1973 £	Year to 30th Sept. 1973 £
Group Turnover	37,865.000	30,700,000	67,634,000
Estimated Group Net Profit before Taxation	4,990,580	1.7\$1,857	6,459,S57
Deduct: Share of Losses less Profits of			
Associated Companies	418,000	203,600	S67.S33
	4,572,580	1.548,075	5,892,024
Deduct: Estimated Taxation	2,354,524	693,750	2,591,707
	2,218,056	854,325	3,300,317
Deduct: Minorities	531,409	199,425	704.831
	1,686,647	854,900	2,595,486
Deduct: Preference Dividends	13,213	18,875	29,256
Nat Profit attributable to Ordinary Shareholders	£1,673,434	£636,025	£2.566,230
Net Profit per Ordinary Share of 2Sp	9.67p	3.80p	1S,17p
Estimated Taxation is calculated on the basis of 52% Corporat	ion Tex (1973: 45%).		

ASSOCIATED FISHERIES LIMITED, 16 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AQ. TRAWLING AND ENGINEERING FOOD PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION **COLD STORAGE AND TRANSPORT FAST FOOD** 

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Bayerische Vereinsbank	Bergen	s Privatbank	Berline	
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R. Henriques jr. Bank - Akties		amuel & Co.	Aktie	Japan (Dentschland
Jardine Fleming & Company	Kansailis-O	sake-Pankki	Kidder, Peabod	y International
	Loeb & Co. Int	ernational	Loch, Rhoades &	Co. London &

Plastics—processing
 Sundries (including products of the pharmaceutical industry)

Principal information extracted from the Annual Report for the year 1973

—Cash flow 6817 6227 534 495 4931 5228
—Depreciation 3720 4153 4395 4931 5228
—Consolidated net-profit 3097 2074 1948 2252 3189
applicable to Sulvay & Cie 2807 1866 1671 1655 2610
In 1973, the Group's activity, under the influence of the favourable economic situation, was characterized by the full utilization of productive capacities and by a firmer trend of selling prices, accentuated, as a matter of fact, by increasing inflation.

This was reflected in sales to external customers, which ruse by 23%, and in the cash flow, which increased by 31%. The latter comprises depreciation, up 26%, and the consolidated net profit, up 42%. This year, there were B. Fr. 133 million of exceptional profits, instead of exceptional charges of B.Fr. 69 million in 1972. Without reaching the 1969 level, profitability markedly exceeded that of 1970-1972.

The share in the oet profit applicable to Solvay & Cie is substantially on the increase, as a result of a more considerable rise in the profits of the parent company and of subsidiaries where the Group's shareholding is 100%.

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-Salts, fertilizers, sodium and calcium derivatives

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1. COMPARISON OF EXTERNAL SALES, CASH FLOWS AND RESULTS 1969 1970 1971 1972

4. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The total research expenditure of the Group amounted to B. Fr. 1,633 million against B. Fr. 1,402 million in 1972, up 16.5%.

The research staff is about 2,000, split between the Central Laboratory and the research centres in the Group's factories.

5. SOLVAY & CIE SOCIETE ANONYME

The net profit for the year amounts to B. Fr. 1,542 million, a 16% rise compared with 1972. This increase is essentially due to the industrial activity of the company.

The Board of Directors will propose to the General Meeting on 10th June, 1974 to distribute a dividend of B. Fr. 170 per fully paid-up share i.e., B. Fr. 10 more than for the previous year, and to appropriate the available profit, which amounts to B. Fr. 1,613,530,330, as follows:

Net dividend of B. Fr. 170 per A and B share

Net dividend of B. Fr. 170 per A and B share

Net dividend of B. Fr. 68 per C share

295 322 830

Withbolding tax

Withholding tax Investment reserve (Spain) Carried forward to next account.

95 684 820 41 226 860

B. Fr. 1 613 530 830 Copies of the English version of the Company's Annual Report in which the detailed accounts for 1973 are included, are available on request from Solvay & Cie, Société Anonyme, Secrétariat Général, rue du Prince Albert 33, B 1050—Bruxelles Belgium).

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Bids & deals

Stern shies away

Wilstar Securities, parent company of the Stern property

empire, bave ended discussions with Peureula Investments.

In April, through a subsidiary,

Camana Investments, Wilstar

hought a near 30 per cent stake in Peureula from Cityland Hotels, controlled by Mr. D. R.

Kirch, who held more than 66 ner cent of Peurenla equity. Talks then started on a possible

offer for the rest of Penreula.

Mr Kirch is duly being called
on to repurchase the shares

(4.36m) at cost as the deal is not going through. He will then own or control 9.62m shares (66.24 per cent) in Peureula.

Firestone may get

Negotiations are under way for the sale by Dunlop Pirelli Union of their 100 per cent bolding in Dunlop Canada to Firestone, Dunlon said vesterday. Net assets of Dunlop Canada are

ahout £3.2m. There is some £54m

debemure stock outstanding. Agreement should be concluded

in the near future, subject to

the approval of the Caoadian authority and holders of Dunlop

Canada debentures.
In effect Firestone intends to

purchase the Danlop tyre husiness in Canada, but excludes the plastics operation at Ajax, Ontario, which remains under

Dunlop management.

A. Dunlop spokesman added that this operation had not been

emong Dunlop's more successfu activities. Dunlop Canada had incurred losses in what is one

of the world's most competitive

tyre markets. Generally, the sale

f the Canadian tyre husiness

which had a turnover last year of \$C37m (about £16m), could effectively be a withdrawal from the Canadian market, as the factory is heing sold complete with outlets.

Backed by advisers Slater Walker, the Somerset-based

light engineering company is resisting a more to replace five of the seven directors of the board by nominees of an Irish

pronerty company called Moore Holdings. It says the proposal, if successful, would be tanta-

mount to achieving control of the company without making a formal bid.

Moore, a property and share dealing company, is also being rejected by Eeyer on the grounds, that it cannot contri-

bute to the group's growth. Moore Holdings, which has a large shareholding in Beyer,

is proposing seven resolutions, all rejected by the Beyer board. A letter to stockholders has been posted advising against the

Beyer, Peacock acts

to repel boarders

Dunlop Canada

from Peureula

takeover

The last day of the trading account saw an ettempted rally by equities the arted by a fresh rout of retves. Publication of the Labour Farty's manifesto reawakened fears of a general election this summer and liqui-dity fears continued to unsettle

Industrials, which had opened in good spirits on the news of further cuts in base rates by tha lending banks, turned sour at midday, and showed no setisfac-tion with higher profit figures from Beecham Group and Courtaulds. Turnover remained thin. The FT index closed a net 4.3 off at 288.2, having touched 294.9 in the first hour. The Times index shed e further 1.40 to 114.70

The possibility of further bankrupticies among secondary building companies or stock-broking firms continued to overStock markets

### Short-lived rally among equities

reports from the ennual meeting of London Brick took 44p off the shares at 40p. Small losses were suffered by Taylor Woodrow (200p), AP Cement (128p), English China Clay (694p) and

Cement Roadstone (92n).
A substantial increase in profits at Courtaulds was no surprise for the market, and the shares, standing et 108p ahead of the news, closed at the same level, unchanged on the day's trade. Beacham's figures, while less spectacular, left tha shares 6p off at 215p.

Other major stocks took little notice of these two major trad-

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**British Rollmakers** 

Rellmakers, manufacturers and distributers of suginesis' tools

Addressing the Annual General Meeting on 22nd May the Chairman, Mr. D. F. Dodd, made the

Management accounts for the first quarter of 1974

♦ Our only problems are netional ones — shortages

of raw material end skilled labour, end escalating

ee in the medium and long term I am

very optimistic for we have fine plants.

employees and the resources to back

Copies of the full report and Cheiman's Statement may be obtained Georgies, The British Rollmakers Corporation Ltd., IYeston Road, Crewe, ClV/ 108.

1973

1,525,000

733,000

13,21%

3.26p

£13,092,000 £11,532,000

first class management and

show a small surplus. Considering the effects of the three day week this is an encouraging result. Group order position very satisfactory. Roll Division orders twice the value of this time last year.

following points:

them up. 99

Profit before texetion

Earnings per share

Dividend pershare

**Results at e Glance** 

Turnover

Net profit

ing statements. ICI (230p) shed 2n and Unilever (295p) some 5p, hoth in ling with merket trend. Engineering shares traced a somewhat irregular pattern, after abandoning an early attempt to go forward. BLMC

(112p) returned to the low point after some cautious marking-down operations by the jobbers who found a few small sellers.
Ominous reports that the
board was "reassessing" the from the state of prospects for North Sea service

All dividends in new pence or Company (and per values)
Armitage Shanks (25p) Fin 6
Assoc Eng (25p) Int 1
Assoc Fisheries (25p) Int 2
Barr & W. Arnold (25p) Fin 4
Barters (Butchrs) (25p) Fin 5
Beecham (25p) Fin 5
Brit Inds & Gen (25p) Int 1
J. Breckhouse (21) Int 6
Courtauids (25p) Fin 6
Courtauids (25p) Fin 4
First Re-Invest (25p) Int 2
Hawbros Inv (25p) Fin 5
Hay's Wharf (21) Int 1
Int Paint (21) Fin 7
Leeds Dyers (25p) Int 1
Nat Bank Aust (81) Int 6
Czalid (25p) Fin 4
Fork Farms (10p) Fin 8
Robertson Foods (25p) Fin 6
Goods Inv (25p) Int 0
Bountle Clothes (25p) Int 0
Bumrie Clothes (25p) Int 0
Bumrie Clothes (25p) Int 1
Goods Inv (25p) Int 0
Bumrie Clothes (25p) Fin 1
Finanet Inv (50p) Int 1
Wedgwood (25p) Fin 1
J Adjusted for scrip. ‡ As reduce disparity.

its final figures, showing profits

rirtoally stationary, English Property Corporation (formerly Star (Great Britain) announces

its promised revaluation. At October 31, 1973, valuations of

completed investment proper-ties oo the basis of open-market value disclosed an £80m surplus over hook values, adjusted for

sales plus subsequent additions

The board believes, however, that in the present unsettled

Robertson's

second half

strong rally in

up from £26.5m to £32.8m.

This was achieved despite a jump in interest charges from

\$89,000 for the year to £334,000.

\$89.000 for the year to \$334,000. Mr Christopher Robertson, chairman, said that the 76 per cent controlled French canning company, Peny, has proved a most valuable acquisition, turning in profits of \$270,000 after accounting for the minority interest compared with only a three month contribution the previous year.

The shares closed 2p better on the day et 600 after reaching 63n

the day et 60p after reaching 63n at one stage. The directors and members of the family control around 60 per cent of the equity.

Taxable profits of Pork Farms,

Taxable profits of Pork Farms, of Nottinghemshire, in the year to March 2 were 36 per cent higher at record 51m while turnover was up 37.5 per cent at £15.3m. Current trading of Baron Meats, acquired last February, is well up to the forecast of not less than £200,000 for 1974. The group's market share was increased in 1973 and for 1974 board is budgeting for volume and profit increases.

HAMBROS INV
Dividend for 1973-74 is up from
4.49p to 5.9p and scrip issue of
3.097 for every 100 "B" shares
proposed. Taxable profit is
5226,000 [5569,000], Ezrnings a
share, 4.53p (3.05p). Net asset
value, 112p (159p).

GIEVES GROUP
Pre-tax profit last term £531,000.
including full year of Redwood
book manufacturing.

Pork Farms at £1m

companies.

600 after disclosing trading results slightly above market pectations. But profits news did little to help either Ozalid (175p) or Associated Fisheries 8p) or Associated Engineering

A brave start by the banks, following basa rate cuts from Barclays and National Westminster, sooo turned to dust. Secondary banks steadied, and properties remained quiet. English Property (48p) eased on lower earnings news. Percula higher, but, after an active first Investments slipped to 24p on the withdrawal of the hid.

A lower bullion price brought overnight levels.

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dom, that the more conservative

figures based on earlier valua-tions should remain in the accounts "for the time heing". These latest figures are not, as customary, being included.

Pre-tax revenue for the year

available" £3.69m against

to October 31 came to £6.87m,

compared with £6.84m, and the

53.68m. The total dividend goes up from an adjusted 3.15p to 3.31p.

Wall Street

Latest dividends

**English Property caution** 

over £80m value surplus

At the same time of releasing conditions in the United King-

falls in gold shares. Oils turned dull in thin trade.

Gilts had an uneven day, hut the undertones remained firm. At the opening the market received encouragement from the reduction in base rates, but enthusiasm seemed to die down as the session progressed.

"Shorts" opened : point higher. There was some buying and prices looked like edvancing further. In mid-morning the Government broker raised the price of the short-dated "tap" stock Treasury 11; per cent 1977, and this was sufficient to keep the market un for the rest of the day. At the close some stocks showed rises of 7/16 point.
"Longs" opened up to 4 point higher, but, after an active first

#### **Mining**

#### **Opening** boost at Cons Tin

An increase in Amalgamated Metal Corporation's pretax profits in the three months to end March, from £542,000 to £2.49m, hoosted profits at the Consolidated Tin Smelters parent from £703,000 to £3.13m. In the first of what will be regular quarterly reports, AMC attributes its performance partly to profife taken on positions established last year and to the continuation of active metal markets with the overseas activ-ities affecting progress more than market conditions in the than market conditions in this country. The necessary warning is given that it would be unwise to assume that the favourable trading conditions will continue to the end of the

Apart from AMC, Consolidated Tin heoefited from improved results from the Malaysian and Nigerian smelters and from the various industrial activities. Earnings have in-creased by 20p to 23.2p for the

nuarter.

Cons Tio has accepted responsibility for the full Bolivian claims in the liquidation of Williams Harvey which collansed last year. An initial repayment of 60 per cent of the £33m of claims was paid earlier this month and it is expected to dishurse the balance early in June. The balance of Cons Tin's own claims against Williams Harvey should be settled by the end of the year.

Diversified Mortgage Investors was also active, closing at \$55, off \$3-8. Turmover included a block of 113,500 shares at \$5. Certain-Teed Products fell \$1½ to \$12½. The company said oo Wednesday it would no looger provide funds to its Valley Forge subsidiary. It planned a reserve to cover the possible write-off of all or most of its \$7/m. Valley Forge investment, advances Valley Forge investment, advances and guarantees. Superscope climed \$15 to \$155

The company forecast a 50 per cent gaio in its second-quarter net

Silver mining shares were lower as silver bullioo prices fell abroad.

	27.44	N. X.Y		23	2023	
ecto	271	£7%	Safeways	224	424	Anglo-Thai buoyant
2000	:34	234	St. Heris	251	254	
He.	104	20-4	Santa Fe Ind	22.2	23.2	on offer rumours
	3.73a	4.95	Schering Ploug	bes .	758	
eters CHIX.Y	13	23	Schlamber.	104%	1053	The shere price of Anglo-Thai.
I. El.	1.22	7.4	South Paper Souboard Coest	200	7	Corporation this week has
ra .			56323 Roo.	a1 2	800	soared from 216p on Monday to
Pac	400	401	Shell Trans.	45-2	47-3	250p vesterday morning, valu-
ET.	200	327	Signel Co	160-	17	ing the equity at £24.9m. How
ch.	13.5	19	Singer	29'2	253	
27	16-	16-	Sony 6th Cel Edicon	73	125	ever, revived talk of a coming
-6.	-22	135	Southern Pac.	34	234	hid lost some of its sting when
7.T.	Gr.	25	Southern Pac.	53%	28.4	Mr William Tyson, managing
& Pec.	145	13	Sourcy Band Soulbb	21.5	735	director of Anglo-Thai, said:
an Cp.	13%	122	Std. Sympos	534	244	"There is nothing on the table
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ell Centird	70	-164	Std. Oil One Starling Drug Stavens J.P. Stude Worth	202	772	dine Matheson, both seen as
72	727	1412		2512	17	likely suitors, and the shares
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	22.54	216	Sun Oti Teledyne	707-	105	Interim profits at September
Ve1	-2-3		Tenneco ·	20%	200	30 were more than tripled to
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1ter	195	29	Tecas Utulities	1234	1312	stake of under 10 per cent in
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egee Cit.	23.2		Chilever Ltd.	450	233	Following assurances regarding
Co. S.S.	4.5	42-	Unilover N.V.	47.4	415	staff and employees, UR board has
S.S.	250	E 412	Unionametrica	40.	30,3	agreed to recommend AFH offer
ye.	25	A 270	Onion Banearo Enion Carb. En. 011 Cal. Un. PacificCorp	33	5372	and intends accepting in respect of
	222	91	Dn. 011 Cal.	37.2	35-	their own shareholdings. Holders
m-T		45	Universi	3.3	Š	are advised to take no action on
POTES	11-4	11	Universal United Abstract United Brands	27-0	20	offer from Gateway Securities.
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	122	19	O.S. Industries	.722	.713	TRIUMPH—A. BECKMAN
102	32	21	U.S. Steel Vectoria	102	124	Triumph Investment, Trust has
31:1.	193	552	Warner Comp	12	22	disposed of its entire holding
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nell	77.3	150	West'n Eabcorp	- 70	20%	equity) of A. Beckman by a
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13	ē3	64	White Motor	3325	12	BBA GROUP
LCC.	15.	124	Tyno:warth .	15.	164	Thanks to very good March and
	32.5	26.4	Zenith	223	224	April, sales and profits for first
_	15.2	12				four mouths ran ahead of same
SC	22.3	52.2				period last year and Mr F. Pearson

Thanks to very good March and April, sales and profits for first four months ran ahead of same period last year and Mr F. Pearson says that it now seems possible t 1974 profits will surpass 1973's. SUMRIE CLOTHES

Last term turnover was 53.88m (£3.33m) and taxable profit at peak £313.000 (£286,000). Threeday week has hit sales to date this time.

first quarter shows a small pro-fit. Board views short and medium term future with cautious optimism

#### EDINBURGH INDUSTRIAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

#### Profits substantially increased

Extracts from the circulated Statement of the Chairmer, J. G. Bizley, for the 53 weeks ended 3rd November 19: At the commencement of the financial year under review were in a period of economic expansion and most com-In the Group enjoyed an increase of tumover, although I on occasions by the availability of raw materials and c nants which became more acute towards the end finencial year

The substantial efforts of employees during the difficult from December to the end of February resulted in an of 87% of the levels budgeted before the energy crisi-PROSPECTS. The croducts of most companies in the are such that the profits are unlikely to be affected by restrictions or domestic consumer restrictions or domestic consumer restrictions of domestic consumer restrictions and downtom in general U.K. maturately Therefore if one takes the view that industrial activiremain at current levels for the remainder of 1974, th company is well pieced to produce a satisfactory profit current financial year

At the meeting the Chairman said that having regard possibility of a less than sabstactory rate of growth U.K. economy the Group was seeking further outlets by for its products and had elready achieved a vori easura of success in this field.

	1973	. 197
	£,000	- <b>2"0</b> 0
Turnover	5,827	-3,14
Profit before tax	368	21
Profit after tax	263	17
Dividands	31	
Earninge per 1210 shere	3.8p	3.6

Group Interests cover the following fields Woodworking • Electronics Plastics • Engineering • Small Tools

#### Midland Bank **Base Rate**

Midland Bank announces that with effect from May 24th, 1974 its Base Rate will be 12%, and that its Deposit Rate on amounts lodged subject to 7 days notice of withdrawal will be as under :— Balances under £10,000 will earn 91/2% (Rate unchanged); Balances of £10,000 and over will earn 101/%. Savings Accounts will earn 7%% on the first £250,

and 91/1% thereafter (Rates unchanged)..... Also with effect from May 24th, 1974 the rate charged on new Personal Loans will be reduced to 9%.



#### **Midland Bank**

### R. & A. G. CROSSLAND

(Manufacturers of Lighting Equipment, Metal Pressings, Cal Trunking and Water Fittings)

Continued Progress - Record Order Bo

The 25th Annual General Meeting was held in Birn ham on May 23rd, Mr. P. W. Reynolds (the Chairman) siding. The following is an extract from his circumstatement:

The profit of the Group, before taxation, amounts £341,012 compared with a profit of £301,142 for 1972. Joch the associated tax credits, the total dividend for the yr. 1.39p per share compared with 1.35p per share for the pre

Although 1973 was a difficult year due to some ma shortages and rapidly escalating costs, all three of our sidiaries increased their turnover and profits.

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A Section of

R. & A. G. Crossland (Walsall) Ltd. was success. obtaining business from new customers and producti nlastics components—which have considerable potentia steadily increased. Trent Valley Engineering (Rugeley has obtained a number of long-term contracts for comp in the sanitary-ware and huilding industries. Its manipulation business continues to grow. W. H. Home; whilst failing to make its target for 1973, has obtaine business this year and I feel sure will show a na. .

Our new building at Walsall is now in the proc erection and we expect to transfer most of our in: monlding equipment into it by the middle of 1974.

As for the current year, we traded profitably wi co-operation of our employees during the three-day ves and we bave record order books; with our im liquidity position I feel that, despite the present ect climate, we can look forward to another record year.

# BARCLAYS BANK BASE RATE

1972

1,362,000

830,000

3.66p

12.6%

close of business on 23rd May, 1974 its

Deposit Rate will remain at 91% per annum on balances below £10,000. On balances of £10,000 or mora tha rate of interest

Savings Accounts will continue to attract interest at 93% per annum.

annum.

#### BARCLAYS

E4 Lombard Street.

Barclays Bank Limited announces that with effect from the

Base Rate will be decreased from 12½% to 12% per annum.

will be  $10\frac{1}{2}\%$  per annum on the entire balance.

Payplan Accounts will continue to attract interest at  $9\frac{1}{2}\%$  per

Barclays Bank Limited, London EC3P 3AH.

After the £278,000 setback in the first six months of 1973/74 Robertson Foods, the Golliwog oslunsm ebslantsm bus maj turer, saw'e marked recovery in the second half to leave pre-tax profits for the year only £74,000

New York, May 23.—On the New York stock exchange today the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose by 2.66 points to 803.23. Trading was moderate with volume totalliog 14,770,090 shares, compared with 15.450,000 on Wednesday.

Sony was one of the most active issues, slipping 5½ to 625½. Trading in the issue included a block of 161,490 shares at \$25.

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American Heme American Hemet H	23.	Gert Fords 3	234	6t Berls 25
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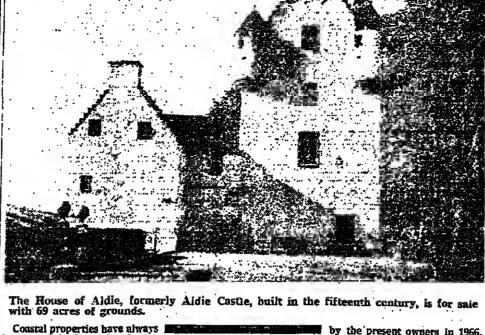
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